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Brutal Murder of Maceo Makes Congressmen Indignant.

DENOUNCE IT AS COWARDLY

Representative Hitt Speaks About In Emphatic Terms.

DE LOME GROWS EXCITED OVER NEWS

Denounces American Correspondents as Liars—But the Treachery of the Spaniards Will Hasten Action by the United States.

Washington, December 13.—(Special.)—The manner of the death of General Maceo, the Cuban leader, has pitched the Cuban question to a high tension among the members of congress. His betrayal by the Spanish officers has done perhaps more to incite indignation against Spain than anything that has yet taken place. Representative Hitt, chairman of the foreign affairs committee, said tonight that for cowardice and murder nothing in the annals of war could equal the act perpetrated by the Marquis of Ahumada, under the direction of Butcher Weyler.

This, of course, is the opinion of every public man here, just as it is of every true American. While this government cannot take any action in the matter unless a resolution may be presented in congress condemning the barbarity of Spain's inhuman warfare, the alleged murder of Maceo has done a great deal toward inflaming the minds of members of congress to an additional attempt to force the president to recognize the independence of the insurgents at the very earliest date. Minister DeLome's wish that the American people should suspend judgment on the action of the Spanish officers, will have little consideration in congress and in the senate, especially when hostility to Spain is at fever heat.

Acts Like a Madman.

Minister DeLome was in great indignation tonight when seen by The Constitution's correspondent. He was emphatic in denouncing the newspaper correspondents in Havana and at the Florida coast cities for sending out anything about the manner of the death of Maceo. DeLome walked the floor and gesticulated like a crazy man, so wrought up was he at the publication of what appears to be the facts of the treachery and murder. If DeLome could, it is safe to say, he would drive from the island every correspondent for the American newspapers there. He characterized them as the worst enemies Spain has and that their dispatches are unworthy of belief. It was plain that the minister is much disturbed, and to shield the Spanish officers from their inhuman conduct resorted to calling the American newspaper representatives liars and outcasts.

When DeLome was asked if he had not received a dispatch from Madrid confirming the report of Maceo's death, and in the manner described, he replied by saying that his correspondence with his own country was private and it was impertinant to ask him questions. E. W. B.

MACEO'S DEATH DISCUSSED

SENATE MAY TAKE COGNIZANCE OF THE RUMORS.

Protest of the Government Against the Mode of Warfare in Cuba May Be Lodged.

Washington, December 13.—Little else was discussed in Washington today among diplomats and politicians beyond the tragic death of the insurgent general, Maceo. The sentiment here among all classes is decidedly with the insurgents and expressions of sympathy were heard on all sides for the ultimate success of the Cuban cause.

Maceo's death will be brought up in congress tomorrow, most probably in the senate, where several resolutions recognizing Cuban belligerency are pending. It is less difficult to bring the subject up there than in the house, where the rules restrict action.

There is in both branches of congress a large number who are ready to recognize Cuban belligerency, whether the Maceo incident proves correct or not.

Senator Blanchard, of Louisiana, represents this element when he declared tonight that he was ready at any time to vote for a resolution recognizing either the belligerency of the Cubans or, better still, their independence.

Senator Platt, of Connecticut, said that the mendacious character of the news from Cuba for the past six months and its utter unreliableness prevented him from expressing any opinion in advance of official information confirming Maceo's death.

"Nobody knows," he declared, with emphasis, "whether Maceo is dead or alive; if dead, how he met his death, or any of the essential details upon which to base an intelligent opinion, and until I do know I will not speak as to what ought to be done or indicate how I will act."

Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, said he would vote to enter the protest of this government against the manner of warfare being carried out in Cuba, and Mr. McMillin, of Tennessee, and Mr. Berry, of Kentucky, favored some action by the government which would show to the world that the United States did not stand idly by and by its silence approve of the methods of the Spanish government against Cuba.

It is not believed that a resolution to investigate the manner in which Maceo met his death will be offered in congress. Even Cuban sympathizers do not think such a matter is within the power of this government, as Maceo is a Spanish subject and his death, if dead, occurred on Spanish soil, but it will be within the province of the United States consul general at Havana to institute such inquiries and for congress to call for and act upon his report.

The matter will doubtless take this course.

CUBAN AFFAIRS MAY COME UP.

Business Outlined for Congress Today Shows Nothing Important.

Washington, December 13.—The ineffectual effort of last week to sidetrack the immigration bill in the senate indicates that that measure will be maintained as the unfinished business until it has been put to the final vote.

By unanimous consent the house bill providing for free homesteads on the public lands in Oklahoma territory for actual and bona fide settlers and reserving the public lands for that purpose, has been made the special order to follow the immigration bill. The homestead bill is likely to arouse some antagonism, but it is believed that it will come to a vote without unusual delay.

Beyond these two subjects there is nothing on the calendar having the right of way. Mr. Morrill's resolution prohibiting the use of the congressional library for the purposes of the inaugural ball is likely to be reported from the committee and called up. The friends of the resolution claim that it will readily pass when it has been reported.

Cuban affairs are also likely to come to the front at any moment.

Mr. Allen, who the other day called up the Dingley bill, will do so again when a favorable opportunity offers itself.

In the house of representatives tomorrow is District of Columbia day under the rules.

The bill defending the rights of the purchasers of the franchise and property of the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad Company, sold under foreclosure of the mortgage authorized by the act of 1871, will come up probably on Tuesday. It is within the power of the house, under the conditions now prevailing, to give as much time as may be desired to the consideration of this measure.

The military appropriation bill is expected to be on the calendar in time for discussion Wednesday, and the legislative, executive and judicial bill by Thursday. If is among the probabilities an adjournment for the holiday recess will be taken on Friday. The subject was discussed by the republican members of the committee on ways and means Saturday, but no conclusion was reached. The recess, whenever it begins, is expected to extend until Monday or Tuesday after New Year's Day.

A TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION

CUBANS IN JACKSONVILLE WILL HOLD MASS MEETING.

Member of the Junta Holds the Spanish Up as Treacherous and Red Handed.

Jacksonville, Fla., December 13.—The Cubans of this city will tomorrow night have a torchlight procession and a great mass meeting of citizens to express their indignation at the cowardly assassination of General Maceo and the uncivilized methods of warfare practiced by the Spaniards under General Weyler in Cuba.

Speeches will be made by prominent Americans as well as Cubans. Joaquin Fortun, the president of El Circulo Cubana, and one of the representatives of the junta in Florida, said today:

"The cowardly murder of the gallant Maceo by the Spaniards does not go very far to prove 'the splendid patriotism and chivalry' of the Spaniards, mentioned in the president's message."

He gave several instances of Spanish treachery during the last ten years' war in Cuba and recalled that when Generals Jose Maceo, Quillermo Moncada and Quintin Bandera celebrated a treaty of peace with Spain in 1879, they were promised that if they laid down their arms they and their families would be permitted to embark to Santiago de Cuba, and the government would pay their passage to any country they wished to go to. They embarked but all were immediately put in chains and sent to African prisons.

In 1869 many suspects were arrested at Santiago de Cuba and carried to Manzanilla and Ziguani and there beaten and put to death in the most brutal manner.

Lola Benites, a bandit who served the Spaniards in the ten years' war, was rewarded by being thrown into a Spanish prison. He was released last year and is now at the head of a band of desperate criminals whose task is to assassinate Cubans.

In 1880 Colonel Emilio Nunez, now in Jacksonville, negotiated with General Blanco for final surrender. Two assassins were placed in Colonel Nunez's escort, with instructions to kill him at the first opportunity. As a reward for this they were to be paid $10,000. Numerous other well known incidents were recalled by Mr. Fortun.

Mr. Fortun concludes:

"1. Spain has falsified the spirit of the Red Cross Society in Cuba, where this institution is not allowed to cure our wounded.

"2. The Spaniards attack our hospitals, which they destroy, killing the inmates. Dr. Delgado, now in Jacksonville, barely escaped a raid on the hospital where he was being attended. The description that this Cuban patriot gives of how how the wounded had to crawl to the woods to escape the Spanish fury is heart-rending and excites the wildest indignation against the Turks of America.

"3. The Spaniards invariably shoot prisoners of war. We are relieved from the proof of these three facts, because they are daily officially admitted by the Spanish government.

"After all this to speak to the world of Spain's chivalry is the faith of sarcasm."

COMPANY WANTS TO GO TO CUBA

Illinois Militiaman Has Fifty-Eight Ready to Fight.

Pittsburg, Pa., December 13.—Walter J. Cooper, of Terre Haute, Ind., who served his term in Company I, of the First Illinois National Guard, and was on duty through the railroad riots in Chicago, has the names of fifty-eight men, all under thirty-five years of age, and none less than twenty-one years, who are willing to leave home and serve the cause of Cuba. All but six of them are members of the Eighteenth and Fourteenth regiments of Pittsburg and Battery B.

Cooper has notified the junta in New York and is awaiting instructions.

WEYLER ON MACEO

Says the Dead Cuban Chieftain Was a Very Brave Man.

GOMEZ IS TOO OLD FOR WAR

Thought Maceo a Great General Until Last Night.

WHY UNITED STATES CONSULATE IS GUARDED

Fears Some Violence Might Be Attempted During Demonstrations of Joy in the City of Havana.

New York, December 14.—The Herald's special cable dispatch from Havana gives the following account of an interview with General Weyler on Saturday night:

"What can you say of President Cleveland's message?" I asked.

"Nothing, absolutely nothing. I am a military man, not a politician. I can only say I have no feeling against Mr. Cleveland or any other president."

I asked Captain General Weyler to express an opinion of the merits of General Antonio Maceo. He said: "Maceo was a brave man and, I thought, a great general until the Pinar del Rio campaign. Today I believe him to have been a brave man of great prestige, a fighter all the way through, and a man who cannot be replaced by the insurgents—in fact, he was their mainstay—and Gomez, who is an old man, would not have come to Cuba at all except for Maceo."

Speaking again of Maceo, General Weyler said he regarded the rebel leader as the most important person of the insurrection, and he added: "I went to Pinar del Rio myself to cope with him, and thought he would await me in his positions, which he did not."

The general said that Maceo was dead beyond doubt.

"How about Ruis Rivera, now in command in Pinar del Rio?" I asked.

"Really," said General Weyler, "he is little known, and it is impossible to estimate his value to the insurgents."

General Weyler said, however, that if Perica Diaz was in command in Havana province as reported, the insurgent cause was lost there.

He admitted that there had been 6,000 men in Pinar del Rio.

I said: "Where are they?"

"The number of insurgents is always exaggerated," replied General Weyler, "and many have died, so there are probably not more than 3,000 in the whole province, scattered in small groups."

"You don't claim the complete pacification of Pinar del Rio?"

"Not entirely, but nearly so."

"Will the trocha be maintained?"

"Yes, at present, and as long as the situation remains as it is or until changes in the operations make the troops necessary elsewhere."

"Is it sure that Maceo crossed the trocha by water?"

"Yes, I believe so, but the captains of the gunboats deny it. It is naturally a delicate point, but they were hardly to blame as the passage there is very easy."

I asked General Weyler as to the object of the attacks on American consulates in Spain. He thought them aimed against the Spanish government by its enemies and not against the United States.

"Why is the American consulate guarded by soldiers?" was asked.

"Simply as a precautionary measure," General Weyler answered. "I anticipate no trouble here from the Spaniards, but at the same time the celebrations over Maceo's death might lead the insurgents to take an advantage and make trouble between Spain and the United States."

FOUGHT TWO MORE BATTLES

INSURGENTS REPORTED TO HAVE LOST IN BOTH.

Demonstration in Havana in Honor of Weyler—Torchlight Procession and Speeches.

Havana, December 13.—Official advices from the province of Pinar del Rio are to the effect that Colonel Feijoo, acting under orders from Captain General Weyler, left Campo Florida, near Havana, on Friday, and went in search of the rebels under Aguirre, Castillo, Aranguren and other leaders.

The insurgents, comprising 1,300 cavalry, were found at La Luz ranche and were attacked and defeated. The Spanish troops pursued them and several fights occurred at other points, in which the rebels were invariably defeated. In all the encounters the rebels lost seven killed and five wounded.

On Saturday Colonel Feijoo's command met a body of rebels at Tumba Cuatro and dislodged them from their positions. The insurgents left eleven dead on the field and carried away many wounded with them on their retreat. The Spanish loss was nineteen wounded.

The Havana volunteers organized a grand torchlight procession and unarmed demonstration in honor of General Weyler tonight. Large crowds were out to witness the demonstration. The paraders, who were accompanied by several bands of music, marched through the principal streets and then proceeded to the palace, where a great crowd had assembled. General Weyler was most enthusiastically cheered and there were many cries of "long live the king," "long live Spain" and other patriotic phrases.

General Weyler made a speech to the colonels of the volunteer regiments. He thanked that corps for the services they had always rendered the country. He remarked upon the coincidence that as soon as volunteers were stationed along the trocha, Maceo, pushed by the Spanish columns, was unable to cross the line on land. He came to the province of Havana by sea and met his death as soon as he passed the trocha.

Continuing, General Weyler said he expected to speedily bring about the pacification of the island. He looked for the cooperation of all the Spaniards and all those willing to help the Spaniards, whether born in Cuba or Spain. He added that as soon as the war was over he would offer his assistance to the political parties to bring about a satisfactory solution of the questions bearing upon the reorganization and reconstruction of the country.

A number of speeches were made, in which the speakers expressed the greatest loyalty to crown and country, and urged their hearers to lay down their lives, if necessary, for the honor of Spain. All the speakers were cheered to the echo. After the speeches the demonstration ended.

General Weyler will return to the province of Pinar del Rio this week.

WAS MACEO KILLED FAIRLY?

FLORIDIAN DOES NOT BELIEVE THE LEADER AMBUSHED.

Says the Insurgent General Knew the Spaniards Too Well To Trust Them at All.

Jacksonville, Fla., December 13.—Jefferson B. Brown, of Key West, ex-senator from Monroe county, and a gentleman who keeps in thorough touch with the Cuban news, does not believe that Maceo was murdered under a flag of truce. Mr. Browne was at the Hotel Placide last night en route home from Galveston, Tex., where he had been on legal business.

"No, I do not believe he was murdered for several reasons. In the first place, Maceo was no fool, and would not have been led into ambush on a pretext of negotiating a treaty of peace with a man—Ahumada—second in command of the Spanish army of Cuba, and hence not authorized to conduct so important a negotiation. Maceo also knew that he had no right, being second in command himself, to conduct such negotiations, it being in the province only of the commander-in-chief of the insurgent forces, Maximo Gomez, to handle so important a matter.

"If we analyze the news we find that at first it was reported that Maceo was dead. The Spaniards claimed he was dead; they were not thoroughly convinced of it, while the Cubans denied the truth of the report and said that it was only another Spanish lie. They did not know then that he was dead. After having learned that he was really dead, how did they learn of the circumstances surrounding his death except with some one who was acquainted with the facts? Who was that man? Dr. Zertucha, the only one who escaped the Spanish bullets? Yet they deny Zertucha's version because he surrendered to the Spaniards and because they did not like him.

"I think Maceo endeavored to cross the trocha by land, and finding that he could not do so without great peril, concluded to go around it by water; that he happened to fall into the hands of a detachment of Spaniards and was slain fairly and honestly.

"You will remember that when Marti was killed at the beginning of the war a similar story was set afloat about the way he met his death. Spanish treachery being charged. If the Spaniards are capable of such treachery as has been charged, then Maceo, who had the best of opportunities to study their war methods and character, would not have trusted himself into their hands with a view to doing something that neither he nor the man alleged to have made the invitation was authorized to do."

TEXANS WANT TO HELP CUBA

SAM HOUSTON'S SON PRESIDES OVER A BIG MASS MEETING.

Two Thousand Dallas People Convene and Organize an Aid Association.

Dallas, Tex., December 13.—As large a mass meeting as was ever held in Texas on a like occasion was that which met in Dallas at 3 p. m. today to express sympathy for the Cuban patriots and for the organization of a permanent "Cuban Aid Association."

The meeting was called by the local Cuban committee of safety of twelve. The auditorium hall was packed and contained 2,000 persons.

Andrew Jackson Houston, a son of Sam Houston, the Texas liberator, was chosen president of the meeting and James C. Nealus, secretary. Two strong letters were read from Luis Peno, of Galveston, head of the Cuban junta in Texas. O. Gilbert, of Corsicana, who served in Company G, Twelfth Iowa volunteers, from 1861 to 1866, wrote from Corsicana, Tex., that he was ready to raise a regiment to go to Cuba. W. A. Milner, of Centralia, Ill., an old Texas boy, who served as deputy to United States Marshal Nix in the Indian territory, wrote that he wished to enlist as a soldier for Cuba from Dallas.

Thomas Estrada Palma's telegram conceding Maceo's death was read.

A communication from United States Senator Roger Q. Mills, standing by his resolution in the national congress and declaring that it meant war with Spain, if necessary, was read and created the wildest enthusiasm. Speeches were made by prominent Texans. Resolutions indorsing the stand taken by Senator Mills were passed by a unanimous vote; also a resolution deploring the death of Antonio Maceo.

The Cuban Aid Association of Dallas was permanently organized, more than four hundred men putting their names on the roll.

RECRUITING SOLDIERS FOR CUBA

Non-Commissioned United States Army Officers Secured.

Columbus, O., December 13.—A Cuban insurgent recruiting office has been opened in the Grand Central hotel here.

The man in charge of the office seems to have plenty of money. He is engaging non-commissioned officers of the Fifteenth regiment, United States army, located here, as they are discharged on the expiration of their terms of enlistment, paying them $50 per month.

A detachment of ten will leave here next week, going by way of New Orleans.

THREE FRIENDS READY TO SAIL

Steamer Has Forty Men and Mysterious Boxes on Board.

Jacksonville, Fla., December 13.—The filibustering steamer Three Friends will sail from Fernandina at 1 o'clock this morning, having on board forty men and a number of mysterious boxes supposed to contain arms, ammunition and dynamite.

It is thought that the steamer's destination is Cuba.

Was Not the Laurada.

London, December 13.—The Morning Post will tomorrow print a statement by the Reuters' Telegram Company that the vessal signaled off Valencia, Spain, yesterday was not the ex-filibustering steamer Laurada. The vessel is not expected to arrive at Valencia until Monday. Her consignee has disclaimed her cargo.

HALE IN GOOD TRIM

Winner of Bicycle Match Looks Healthy and Is Quite Hearty.

SLEPT FOR FOURTEEN HOURS

Irishman Says He Is Ready for Another Spin at a Minute's Notice.

VARIETY STAGE NOW CLAIMS THE WHEELMAN

Wilkesbarre Boy Comes Out in Good Condition and with a Great Appetite.

New York, December 13.—"Teddy" Hale, although somewhat stiff and sore today, did not seem much the worse for winning the championship of the world in a six-day bicycle race. When he spoke, however, it was apparent that the cigar smoke in the garden had done its work.

As soon as he could get away from the scene of the race Saturday night Hale was taken to a bathing establishment, where he was massaged and allowed to sleep fourteen hours at intervals, the longest period being five hours. During the race he had only eight hours' sleep. His appetite was enormous every day of the race, as was also that of Rice, who complained that his trainers were trying to starve him.

Hale's manager's calculations show that the winner traveled just thirty-five miles more than his final score of 1,910 miles, and 8 laps, and that by leaving the track for the short races he lost about 68 miles. On this figuring Hale would very likely have established a record of over 2,000 miles, had he adopted different tactics.

Starting tomorrow, Hale will begin an engagement at one of the local variety theaters. The other members of the foreign party will go either to Baltimore or Washington and then on a tour of the cities. The proposed Australian tour has been abandoned, owing to the success of Hale.

Rice, the Wilkesbarre machinist, who finished second to Hale, was as strong as a lion today and in condition, he said, to ride a fifty-mile race in fast time. He returned to the Putnam house early in the morning, after a visit to a Turkish bath, during which he slept for four hours and a half at intervals. His appetite was something remarkable. He suffered very little during the race physically and lost only one pound during the week. His mind wandered a bit toward the close of the race, but he is all right now.

The lack of attention Monday and Tuesday destroyed Rice's chances for first prize. Practically he might as well have had no attention at all. On Wednesday, when he was in such bad condition Michael Breslin went to his assistance and brought him around all right and kept him in condition until the arrival of Harry Campbell from Wilkesbarre. Campbell said today that Rice had trained very little for the race.

"In fact," said he, "all the training he did was to work on his bicycle until 11 o'clock every night during the week before the race. He built the machine he rode."

Believes He Could Beat It.

This was Rice's first long race, although in 1892 he started in one, but was forced to quit. He believes now that, with the experience he gained in this race, he could cover 2,000 miles within six days. He says he would like to race against Hale again and could get plenty of backing if the Irishman wishes a match. The Wilkesbarre man will leave for home Wednesday.

Reading, of Nebraska, was in a bad way today. His knees were swollen and he was suffering from a cold.

Harry Maddox was in fine condition after the long ride.

Foster probably suffered more than any of the others. His face showed the strain under which he had labored.

Schock was not put out in the least by his efforts.

Taylor, the colored boy, was none the worse for his ride.

The prize winners and the four men who failed to land within the first eleven will receive their rewards at noon tomorrow in the Hotel Bartholdi.

WHO WILL BE THE LEADER?

DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSMEN ARE DISCUSSING THE QUESTION.

Several of Them Aspiring to the Position—McMillin Seems To Be the Most Popular Just Now.

Washington, December 13.—(Special.)—The death of ex-Speaker Crisp has left the democratic side of the house of representatives without a leader. No one man on that side of the house stands out conspicuously above his colleagues. But there are a number of men who would be leaders. They are men who achieved prominence as Crisp's subordinates general—such men as Bailey, of Texas; Catchings, of Mississippi; McMillin, of Tennessee; Culberson, of Texas, and Richardson, of Tennessee. Bailey is eminently competent, but Bailey is aggressive and has made enemies. Bailey has on several occasions voted in matters of legislation in a way that was not satisfactory to the majority of his party.

Catchings, of Mississippi, is a strong man, but Catchings went off with the goldbugs at the last session. It is true he returned to the organization just before the election, but he is looked upon as a man who has not been absolutely in sympathy with the organization of his party.

McMillin has assumed the leadership on the democratic side of the house on many important questions. Years ago, when Mills was the democratic leader, McMillin was his chief lieutenant. When Crisp was first speaker, McMillin was on the committee on rules. McMillin is a strong man and now aspires to be the acknowledged leader. He will perhaps come nearer to it than any of the others. He is an able man and competent for leadership in every thing, except possibly he lacks that definite degree of firmness and forcible dignity which goes to make up a great leader.

On the opening day and since, McMillin has jumped to the front in leadership on general parliamentary questions. Being on the committee on rules he will perhaps rank as leader on the democratic side of the house, with the chances of his being robbed of his leadership by others among the democrats during the session.

Richardson is the ablest parliamentarian in the house. He has filled important assignments on committees, but has never assumed leadership except on a few occasions. Richardson's ability lies in his knowledge of parliamentary laws and in his experience as presiding officer.

Culberson, of Texas, is undoubtedly the ablest man on the democratic side, but Culberson has never aspired to the leadership and would not permit it to be thrust upon him. Culberson is lazy, or perhaps I had best say modest. He never pushes himself to the front and rarely ever speaks himself, but many men on the democratic side expound his ideas and views. Culberson is satisfied to make others speak for him. He cares nothing for the reputation one makes on the floor in a speech. He knows that everybody recognizes him as the strongest man on the democratic side, and with that he is satisfied.

All of the above men, except Culberson, will struggle for the leadership. Three of them are prospective candidates for the speakership when the democrats regain control of the house, which may be two years hence. The contest for the speakership—if the democrats ever return to power in the house—will be between Bailey, Richardson and McMillin. The contest will really be between Bailey and one of the two Tennesseeans. One or the other of them will have to get out of the race.

But this in a long time off and these men are only working the preliminaries now. There may be others who aspire to that lofty position by the time democrats come in power again. What these men want now is simply the leadership, and McMillin has already assumed the position. He has taken the floor and led on every question that has been before the house up to the present time. Whether anyone of the others can dislodge him remains to be seen.

E. W. B.

CLEVELAND STARTS ON HUNT.

President Is Accompanied by Old Sporting Companions.

Washington, December 13.—President Cleveland started off on another duck shooting expedition this evening. This time he will be the guest of the Annandale Club, on its preserves in South Carolina.

The journey to Georgetown, S. C., will be made by railway and the president will reach there some time tomorrow, proceeding thence in a lighthouse tender to the clubhouse on Winyah bay.

Mr. Cleveland was accompanied by his old sporting companions, Captain Robley D. Evans, of the navy; Captain S. R. Lamberton, also a naval officer, and Major Robert O'Reilly, an army surgeon and the Washington physician of the Cleveland family.

Several years ago the president visited the Annandale Club. On his arrival at Georgetown he was given a public reception, but this time he will avoid a repetition of that honor. The party will return about the end of the week.

CURTAINS IN HIS CAR DOWN.

President Could Not Be Seen as He Passed Through Virginia.

Petersburg, Va., December 13.—President Cleveland arrived here tonight on his way to Winyah Bay, S. C., to hunt ducks.

A goodly number of people were at the depot to see the president, but they were disappointed, as he did not come out of his car. The train only stopped here a few moments. When it pulled out of the union depot every window curtain of the president's car was down.

GOLD DEMOCRATS WANT TO MEET

Desire To Discuss Plan of Policy for Future Elections.

Washington, December 13.—(Special.)—There is talk of holding a mass meeting here of the gold democrats some time in January for the purpose of mapping out a line of policy leading up to the congressional elections two years hence. Henry Watterson is said to be the father of the idea, and who now has assumed the position of instructor for that wing of the party. Senator Palmer, the late decoy presidential duck, is to lead off in a speech in the senate to be followed by Senators Vilas, of Wisconsin, and Caffery, of Louisiana, who will all point with pride at the part they took in the election of McKinley, and give what they believe will be the wholesome advice for the guidance of the party in the future. The alleged object in meeting here, it is said, is for the purpose of consulting with the president, whose advice will be sought in the matter. The real object of the proposed meeting is for the purpose of doing what they can to offset the effect of Mr. Bryan's speeches which he will make when he goes on his lecture tour. It is doubtful if Senator Voorhees will live out his term, which expires at the end of this congress. He is failing very rapidly. It was with difficulty that he went to the capitol on Monday last, and since then he has not been out of the house, and those who are the closest to him and his family are apprehensive that he was in the senate on Monday for the last time.

PROTEST AGAINST HEAVY TAX.

Speaker Refers to Throwing Tea Overboard at Boston and Is Cheered.

Cork, December 13.—A meeting was held here today to protest against the excessive taxation imposed on Ireland by the British government, as compared with the taxation in England, Scotland and Wales.

Lord Castletown, of Upper Ossory, made a speech in which he denounced the obstinacy of the British treasury in refusing to right the grievance of the Irish in respect to the matter of taxation. He added that he hoped history might not repeat itself and the people of Cork follow the example set by Boston in 1773, when indignant residents of that place threw a quantity of tea into the harbor as a protest against the tax of 3 pence per pound imposed on that article by the British parliament.

This expression called forth cheers from the audience.

TOBACCO HID IN LOBSTER CANS

Weed Smuggled Into England in a Clever Manner.

St. Johns, N. F., December 13.—An audacious smuggling conspiracy was discovered through the recent seizures of contraband tobacco at Fortune bay.

The tobacco was brought from the United States packed in special boxes, two of which were intended to be concealed in lobster cans and exported to England, where the duties on tobacco are very heavy.

Immense quantities of canned lobsters are exported from Newfoundland to England yearly, which has enabled this practice to be pursued with slight risk of detection.

OLNEY WON'T MAKE CONCESSION

Senor Andrade Informed That Venezuela Would Be on the Board.

London, December 13.—The Washington correspondent of The Chronicle telegraphs that Senor Andrade, Venezuelan minister to the United States, who is now in Caracas, received an intimation before he started for Venezuela that the latter country could have a member on the tribunal of arbitration to settle the boundary dispute between Venezuela and Great Britain.

The correspondent adds that Secretary of State Olney will make no further concessions to Venezuela.

DESPERATE BURGLAR KILLS MAN

Bloodhounds Are Chasing a Thief Who Used His Gun.

Marshalltown, Ia., December 13.—Andrew Hart, living near Lamoille, with his parents, was murdered by an unknown burglar, whom he surprised in the act of pilfering the house early this morning.

The affair has caused intense excitement throughout the locality and a posse with bloodhounds is now in pursuit of the desperado, with indications that he will soon be captured.

ROBBERS TAKE LIFE

Two Highwaymen Commit Murder in a Saloon in Chicago.

BARKEEPER NOT QUICK ENOUGH

Assassins Make No Attempt To Secure Money, but Flee.

SEVERAL ARRESTS HAVE BEEN MADE

Man in Missouri Kills His Aunt and a Mob Wants His Life—Burglar Murders a Boy Who Discovered Him in the House.

Chicago, December 13.—William Jones, a bartender in the LeGrande hotel saloon, on Wells street, just across the river, was shot and mortally wounded by two robbers shortly after 6 o'clock this morning.

Jones and Albert Schmidt, the porter, were alone in the place when the robbers entered from the street. They drew their revolvers and at the same time the bartender reached for his weapon. He was not quick enough, however, and the heavier of the outlaws fired two shots at him, one bullet taking effect in the right breast. Without waiting to empty the till, the outlaws ran into the street and escaped. Jones died within fifteen minutes.

Several arrests have been made by the police but none of the prisoners can be identified.

STUDENT CUTS HIS OWN THROAT

Sterling Turner, at Vanderbilt University, Uses a Razor.

Nashville, Tenn., December 13.—(Special.) Sterling Turner, a popular young student at Vanderbilt university, was found dead in his room, No. 6 west side row, at 3:15 o'clock this afternoon.

His throat was cut from ear to ear and the bloody razor was found near his side. In taking his life he stood before the mirror, which was drenched with blood.

Turner was twenty-three years of age and his father lives at Wartrace. He was a bright, conscientious student, but has been failing in health for some time and has fallen behind in his studies.

Excessive nervousness and a fear that he was losing his mind produced melancholy, which led to his self-destruction. He was seen on his bed about 11 o'clock and is supposed to have committed suicide about noon. He was president of the college Young Men's Christian Association.

SCHUETT QUESTIONED IN COURT

Says He Put the Pistol to Feigel's Head To Intimidate Him.

New York, December 13.—Ludwig Schuett, the young man who made an unsuccessful attempt to shoot the German consul general, Herr August Feigel, yesterday afternoon, was again arraigned before Magistrate Flammer, in the Center street police court today, where he was held for the grand jury in $2,000 bail.

The keeper of the Tombs, where Schuett was confined last night, reported that he had acted rationally, and that they had observed nothing to indicate that he was not properly balanced mentally.

Magistrate Flammer again questioned Schuett and asked him if he wished to supplement the statement he had made yesterday. The young German had evidently been thinking the matter over during the night and said he wished to explain why he went to Herr Feigel's office in the German consulate, No. 2 Bowling Green, with the revolver. Schuett said that previous to his coming to America he had been arrested and imprisoned for three months in Germany on a baseless charge of extortion, and he contended that it was nothing more nor less than persecution.

"After my persecution in Germany by the officials," Schuett continued, "I did not know but what I would be called upon to defend my life and that the consul general might be possessed of weapons. I put the weapon to the secretary's head to intimidate him and to let him understand that I came there not to be trifled with. I cannot see that I have done anything wrong. I simply went there to defend my life, if necessary, and did not intend to shoot unless attacked."

WANTED TO HANG VAUGHAN.

Man Kills His Aunt and Confesses to His Wife, Who Informs on Him.

Jefferson City, Mo., December 13.—Mrs. William Birdsong, wife of a wealthy farmer near California, Mo., was brutally murdered last night.

Isom Vaughan, the murderer, was brought here and placed in the penitentiary for safe keeping, as the citizens of California were preparing to lynch him. Vaughan confessed to the murder of Mrs. Birdsong, who was his aunt.

While the woman was alone at home Vaughan crept to an open window, fired a bullet into her body and then cut her throat. He told of the murder to his wife, who at once caused his arrest.

No motive for the crime is given.

PANIC IN A PITTSBURG CHURCH

Steam Pipe Bursts and a Rush Is Made for Exits.

Pittsburg, Pa., December 13.—A panic occurred in St. Agnes Roman Catholic church, this city, this morning, caused by the bursting of a steam pipe, but fortunately no one was injured. A large crowd was in attendance at 9 o'clock mass. One of the steam pipes under a stairway burst and the escaping steam poured into the church. Some one cried "fire" and the audience made a wild rush for the exits.

Quiet was restored and about ten minutes later those who had left the church returned and the services were continued. Several women fainted during the excitement.

TALK TO MONTGOMERY

Telephone Connection Will Soon Reach Out from Alabama's Capital.

LINE COMES TO ATLANTA

Courthouse of Russell County May Come Nearer the Georgia Line.

OATES TALKS POLITICS IN WASHINGTON

Timber Thieves Are Punished in Anniston Courts—More Refrigerator Cars Ordered.

Montgomery, Ala., December 13.—(Special.)—Within two months the subscribers here to the Southern Bell Telephone Company will be enabled to talk to friends in Opelika, Atlanta and more than a hundred towns in east Alabama and Georgia.

Lines are now in operation from Selma to Montgomery and from Opelika to Atlanta.

A large force of hands is now at work completing the gap between Montgomery and Opelika. The route is via Mt. Meigs and the total distance is sixty-eight miles. Nothing but the very best copper wire will be used in the construction of the line, the wire alone costing about $60 per mile. The work will easily be completed within two months.

Proposition To Move Courthouse.

There is only one courthouse contest before the general assembly and that comes from the good old county of Russell. An effort is being made to move the county site from Seale, where it has long been, to Girard, just across the river from Columbus, Ga., and therefore just inside the Alabama line. The argument against Seale is that it has poor transportation facilities. It is, however, the center of the county, or at any rate much nearer the center than Girard is. A large number of the citizens were here during the latter days of the assembly's first session, but no disposition was made of the matter and it will probably come up at the after-recess session.

Oates on the Bolting Situation.

Ex-Governor Oates is still in Washington. He appears not to take a very roseate view of the political situation. He is quoted as saying to a Washington Post reporter:

"As I view it," said he, "the democratic situation is not very promising. There is nothing that indicates a speedy healing of the rupture that has severed the party into hostile factions, and I think that any effort at this juncture to conciliate and reunite would drive them further apart. But at the same time all is not serene in the republican camp. That party, through its leaders, has made lavish promises to the country and boasted to the world that it would restore prosperity if again intrusted with power. The people will hold it to a strict accountability for the fulfillment of its promises, and if they are not realized will voice their disapproval at the polls two years from now.

"I remember when Mr. Cleveland was elected the last time that a number of my enthusiastic friends in Alabama declared that the democracy would remain in power for a quarter of a century. I said to them at that time that their prophecy would fail unless the democrats abandoned their usual way of quarreling among themselves, and unless they carried out the pledges made to the people. Otherwise, we might expect to see Mr. Cleveland succeeded by a republican. The events of last November justified that assertion. It holds good now with reference to the incoming administration."

Objected To Riding a Rail.

At McCauley's chapel, on Sand mountain, on Sunday a crowd of boys were gathered for sport. Some of the larger boys tried to ride Jim Cannon on a rail, and he objected, as it would soil his clothes. When they attempted to put him astride the pole a tussle ensued, in which he accidentally stabbed himself and badly cut Ed Thomas in the shoulder and hip, and it is thought he will die.

More Freight Cars Needed.

The Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company has placed with the Mt. Vernon, Ill., Car Manufacturing Company an order for twenty-five refrigerator cars. These cars are to be equipped with the New York air brake, Gould couplers, Detroit steel springs, galvanized iron roof and Carson & Gurgam's improved refrigerator doors.

The increase of shipments through the Mobile port is said to be something enormous.

Prosecuting Timber Sharks.

An Anniston, Ala., special says: The Alabama Mineral Land Company, which owns much land in this county, is making it quite hot for those who steal timber from its lands. During this week one party was convicted of stealing tan bark from the company's land, and, after spending one night in jail, paid $49 fine and costs therefor. Another was convicted of stealing timber to make charcoal and he was assessed $20 fine and costs, a rather high price for the timber from about two acres.

It is an unusual thing for men to be convicted of timber theft.

Delegates to the Coast Conference.

Governor Johnston has appointed the following gentlemen as delegates to the interstate convention called by the governor of Florida to meet on January 20th at Tampa to discuss methods for the proper defense of southern harbors and to raise means for their betterment:

J. C. Clarke, J. Pollock, D. P. Bestor, Charles Hager, J. W. Whiting, P. D. Barker, C. Laveretta and A. D. Bloch, of Mobile; F. Y. Anderson, W. C. Sims, Henry B. Gray, of Birmingham; W. B. Jones, V. Frankfurter, J. T. May, of Montgomery; C. W. Hooper, M. J. Meyer, D. M. Scott, of Selma; O. Kyle, of Decatur; J. W. Burke, of Calhoun.

As specially representing the military of the state: General L. V. Clarke, Colonel James W. Cox, Colonel B. F. Elmore, Major James T. Beck, Major John H. Clisby.

THEY WANT TO BE REPRESENTED

Huntsville, Ala., December 13.—(Special.)—The chamber of commerce in its monthly meeting last night appointed a committee to draft a petition to be presented to the legislature asking that an appropriation be made to have Alabama properly represented at the Tennessee Centennial exposition.

The chamber will co-operate with the Farmers' Central Club and get up an exhibit for Madison county.

CLARK INDICTED FOR MURDER.

United States Deputy Marshal Kills a Young Alabamian.

Huntsville, Ala., December 13.—(Special.)—George Clark, a deputy United States marshal, who shot Boston Watkins, a young man, in a moonshine raid in Lauderdale county last August, has been indicted for murder by a Lauderdale grand jury.

Clark is in custody of a marshal and will be allowed to make bond in the sum of $1,000. The trial will be before the federal court.

MANY WAGONS FROM WISCONSIN

Emigrants from the Northwest Come to Alabama Homes.

Huntsville, Ala., December 13.—(Special.)—A caravan of twenty-odd wagons filled with Wisconsin emigrants in en route to this city to settle in Madison county.

The people left Wisconsin October 19th, and have traveled the entire distance in wagons. They are now somewhere near Decatur and their household goods have been shipped to this place.

SMALL BOY KILLS SMALL SISTER

Hunter Leaves a Loaded Gun Standing in a Corner.

Huntsville, Ala., December 13.—(Special.)—A fatal accident occurred at Hazel Green, twenty miles north of here, last Thursday.

Stewart Thomas had been hunting and stopped over at the residence of J. W. B. Hawkins, leaving his loaded gun in a room. One of the small boys found the gun and accidentally discharged it.

A load of birdshot took effect in the abdomen of his sister and she died a few hours afterwards.

WILL CHASE FOXES WITH DOGS.

Dixie Club Will Meet Today for a Big Run.

Huntsville, Ala., December 13.—(Special.)—The Dixie Red Fox Club, a large organization of southern sportsmen, will meet in Athens, Ala., tomorrow.

The club, after transacting its annual business, will hunt foxes with a magnificent pack of hounds, and the festivities will close with a banquet at the home of Captain Hartselle.

OLD PHYSICIAN PASSES AWAY.

Dr. J. W. Searson, of Birmingham, Dies at an Advanced Age.

Birmingham, Ala., December 13.—(Special.)—J. W. Searson, one of Birmingham's oldest and most respected physicians, died at his home here this morning after a week's illness with paralysis.

He was sixty-six years of age and came from Virginia. He was in this county twenty-five years and has held prominent positions in the Birmingham and state medical societies. His funeral takes place tomorrow.

NO AID TO HIGHER EDUCATION.

North Carolina Methodist Conference Adopts Resolutions.

Raleigh, N. C., December 13.—(Special.)—The North Carolina Methodist conference has done what the Western Carolina conference refused to do—that is, adopt a resolution against state aid to higher education.

The power behind this movement is the president of Trinity college.

The resolution adopted declares that all free tuition and free scholarship at the university based upon public money should be discontinued, that the appropriation should be limited to such amount as is necessary to meet the deficiency in current expenses, after tuition has been collected from all students save those to whom private scholarship have been given.

The resolution also says that the purpose of the state in establishing the normal and industrial school for girls and the agricultural and mechanical college is to provide technical and not higher literary training.

The conference declares itself in sympathy with these so long as they adhere to this original purpose, but opposes any policy that will in any way divert them from it.

PRITCHARD IS NOT FOR GOLD.

North Carolina Senator Makes a Bid for Populist Vote.

Raleigh, N. C., December 13.—(Special.)—The positive declaration is now made by an elector on the republican ticket that Senator Pritchard is not for the gold standard but is a bimetallist and has always been.

It is only necessary for Pritchard to assure the populists he is friendly toward silver to get most of their votes.

ODD FELLOWS ORDER GROWING.

North Carolina Shows One Hundred and Fifteen Lodges.

Raleigh, N. C., December 13.—(Special.)—The annual report to the grand lodge of Odd Fellows will show that the order has now over 5,000 members in North Carolina; that there are 115 lodges, of which seven are new and one reorganized.

The order has this year raised $10,000 for a new building at its orphanage at Goldsboro and this is almost ready for use.

Pounds's Assailant in Jail.

Americus, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—The negro Isaac Pounds, who was stabbed yesterday in a difficulty with Gip Taylor, is still alive today, though there is not much chance for his recovery.

Taylor was captured this morning and is now in jail. Besides this new addition there are perhaps thirty other prisoners awaiting trial when court reconvenes after the holidays.

Get Your Christmas Gifts Free

Many thousand dollars worth of valuable articles suitable for Christmas gifts for the young and old, are to be given to smokers of **Blackwell's Genuine Durham Tobacco.** You will find one coupon inside each two ounce bag, and two coupons inside each four ounce bag of Blackwell's Durham. Buy a bag of this celebrated tobacco and read the coupon—which gives a list of valuable presents and how to get them.

Blackwell's Genuine DURHAM Tobacco

IN PITCHED BATTLE

Police and Negroes Have a Desperate Fight Near East Point.

WERE GAMBLING IN THE WOODS

When Surprised by Large Squad of County Officers.

NEGROES USE CLUBS: OFFICERS USE PISTOLS

Outlaws Finally Surrender and Are Locked in Station House—Officer Painfully Hurt.

The county officers, under command of Chief Verner, had a veritable pitched battle with a gang of negro gamblers on some old breastworks, a mile west of East Point, yesterday at noon. The fight was most desperate and several of the officers were more or less painfully injured.

About 11 o'clock yesterday morning Chief Verner received information that a crowd of negroes were engaged in a "skin" game in the woods at the above place. He immediately summoned Officers Mills, Poole, Osborne, Connolly and Turner, and started for the scene on horseback. As the squad passed East Point they were joined by Marshal Morris.

The negroes had anticipated a probable attack and were intrenched behind the breastworks in a thick wood on the side of a hill. The officers gained the bottom of the hill without flushing their game, but realized it would be impossible to surround the negroes, and that an open charge could only effect their capture.

From where the officers stood it was impossible to see anything but the heads of the gamblers, from the number of which it looked as if an army might be behind the works, as in the days of the sixties. The muzzles of several shotguns could be seen over the mound of dirt, but it was impossible to tell how well the negroes were armed.

Officers Make a Charge.

Chief Verner commanded his men to march, and the seven policemen proceeded at a run toward the breastworks with pistols ready for action. In an instant terror spread among the dusky gamblers and some of the less courageous fled to the woods, but the majority ducked behind the breastworks and "waited to see the whites of the enemies eyes."

The negroes waited until the policemen stepped over the breastworks and ordered "hands up!"

But the negroes' hands never went up. Instead, they grabbed their clubs, razors and guns, ready for the occasion. Then ensued a desperate battle. The officers used their clubs and pistols with telling effect on the negroes' heads, while the negroes also got in some effective work in the same manner.

Several of the negroes tried to shoot the policemen with shot guns, but were prevented by the latter, who grabbed and held on to the weapons with a firm grip. After a struggle of probably five minutes, three officers fired their pistols in the air, which had a quieting effect on the crap shooters. They then surrendered, where handcuffed and in a short while locked behind the bars at the Atlanta station house.

Eight prisoners were caught, and they game their names as Jim Gardiner, Frank Hughly, Thomas Barnett, Boss Carmichael, Charles Whittaker, Will Cathorn, Luke Richardson and Bud Pitts. Nearly all were struck by billies and their heads skinned.

Officers Scratched and Bruised.

Nearly all the officers sustained various cuts and bruises and plainly showed the effects of their desperate struggle. They are determined to break up gaming in this county and are making some good strides in that direction, notwithstanding the raids are exceedingly dangerous.

The prisoners will be given preliminary hearings today before Justice Cook, and will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. The evidence is positive against them, and there is little doubt of their conviction.

THREE ELECTIONS IN AMERICUS

Congressman, Mayor, Aldermen and Treasurer To Be Selected.

Americus, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—The voters of Americus will have three separate elections on hand next Wednesday. Besides the state election, a representative in congress for Judge Crisp's unexpired term will be chosen, while the municipal election for mayor and aldermen takes place as well.

The people of Sumter will give Mr. Charles R. Crisp a flattering vote as successor to his distinguished father.

In the city election Mayor Hixon will be re-elected, while Messrs. J. W. Guerry, W. E. Brown and J. W. Shiver will be the new members added to the aldermanic board.

H. S. Davis will be re-elected city clerk and treasurer, all these being the nominees of the recent primary. The city registration books closed last night with nearly 500 voters registered.

TO SPEAK AT MADISON SQUARE.

Hon. Robert T. Daniel To Address Commercial Travelers.

Griffin, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—Hon. Robert T. Daniel, of this city, great incohonee of the I. O. R. M., has received an invitation to deliver an address before the Commercial Travelers' Association of America in Madison Square Garden on the 23d instant. He will leave about the 19th to fill his engagement.

This organization will hold a fair in Madison Square Garden from December 16th to 28th, inclusive, and it is while this is in progress that this distinguished young Georgian will deliver his address. While in New York several weeks ago he received the invitation at the hands of Mayor Greene of Binghamton, N. C., who is president of the order, but he did not decide to accept until yesterday.

SAVANNAH MAYOR IN ATLANTA

Municipal Officer To Appear Before the Senate Committee.

Savannah, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—Mayor Herman Meyers, Alderman George W. Tiedeman and Thomas Schrivan went to Atlanta tonight to appear before the senate committee on corporation in opposition to the bill pending for the repeal of the measure creating a superintendent of public works for Savannah.

The official the bill is aimed at is Harry Williams, who was a member of the last legislature, by which the bill was passed.

Dr. William Duncan and Hon. J. J. McDonough, Chatham's representatives, returned to Atlanta tonight.

SURVEY OF OLD NORTH STATE.

Report of the State Geologist to Governor of North Carolina.

Raleigh, N. C., December 13.—(Special.)—The state geologist in his report to Governor Carr yesterday says work on the great map of North Carolina is being pushed and that already fifteen thousand square miles have been surveyed. In this and all other work the United States geological survey is co-operating. The survey has been directly instrumental in bringing several millions of capital into the state.

BOOKKEEPER HALLINAN IN JAIL

Man Charged with Embezzling $10,000 Has a Rich Uncle.

Savannah, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—Joseph Hallinan, former bookkeeper for Schwarzschild & Sultzberger, is in jail on a charge of embezzlement. Auditor J. S. Caldwell, for the company, who has been here two or three days checking up the accounts, has so far discovered a shortage of about $10,000, on the strength of which he swort out the warrant.

Hallinan was bookkeeper with J. W. Wyness as manager. Wyness died recently as a result of a pistol shot wound, and his death no doubt brought on the investigation. Both were under bond, Hallinan's surety being the Fidelity and Deposit Company, of Maryland, which, it is believed, will urge the prosecution. Hallinan has a wealthy uncle who will settle the claim for him as soon as the auditor determines just what it amounts to.

ATHLETES AT THE UNIVERSITY

FOOTBALL TEAM WANTS TO TACKLE THE VIRGINIANS.

Baseball Nine Being Prepared for Next Spring—Track Workers Are in Shape.

Athens, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—The university football eleven for next year has now its captain and business manager, and the next thing to be done will be the selection and employment of a trainer.

The election of W. B. Kent as captain of the football eleven was ratified yesterday evening by the athletic council. Captain Kent, who stands high in his classes and is a leading religious worker in the university is a perfect answer to the charge that football demoralizes a student.

The new business manager for the football team is Frank R. Mitchell, of Atlanta. Mr. Mitchell assisted Manager Cothran very much during the last season when the latter had to play in the Georgia eleven, and will arrange games with other colleges for next season as soon as possible.

It is intended by all means to secure a game with the University of Virginia and to fight out on the gridiron the question as to which team is entitled to be called the champions of the south.

Gordon Bower was again chosen captain of the university second eleven and will get his men in shape to give the 'varsity eleven all the practice it wants.

As to a trainer for the 'varsity eleven next fall, no selection has yet been made. The Georgia boys are so well pleased with "Pop" Warner's faithful and successful training last season that if it were possible he would no doubt be secured to coach the 'varsity eleven next fall. But Warner is to return to Cornell next year and coach the team for that college.

The athletic council is wide awake in this matter, however, and will have as good trainer as can be found in the country, for the 'varsity boys all expect to play winning ball next year.

Track Team to Nashville.

The athletic council at its meeting yesterday decided to send the university track team to Nashville, Tenn., next spring to engage in the southern intercollegiate track athletic contests, and several prizes will no doubt be brought back to Georgia. Dr. C. H. Hearty, athletic instructor for the university, expects to pay a great deal of attention to the development of track athletic sports among the students here this session.

The outlook for a fine baseball team next spring is quite encouraging, and the college boys are enthusiastic over the fact that the construction of the new athletic field on the campus is practically assured. One half of the required amount has been secured and hundreds of university alumni are yet to be heard form.

For the Shropshire Medal.

Six young men were chosen yesterday to contest for the Clyde Shropshire medal at the university chapel, January 19th, the anniversary of the birth of General Lee. The three chosen by the Phi Kappa Literary Society were Messrs. Shelby Myrick, J. T. Moore and W. J. Roberts. The three Demosthenians selected were Messrs. C. M. Walker, Robin Adair and J. W. Hendrick.

University Enrollment.

The enrollment of students at the university has reached 287, which is seven more than the highest previous record for any one year's attendance. Four new law students will enter after January 1st, not to study for diplomas, but to prepare for next session. It is certain that the entire attendance this session will go beyond the 300 mark and with the new building the legislature will probably provide for, the attendance will be still further increased next year.

FIVE PRISONERS BREAK JAIL.

Negroes Make Threats That Frighten the People of Cumming.

Cumming, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—Five prisoners, one white man and four negroes, broke jail here yesterday and made their escape.

Two of the negroes made threats of burning the town and apprehension is felt here tonight lest they may apply the torch.

CAUGHT IN THE GIN MACHINERY

Albert Harvey Loses an Arm While Ginning Cotton.

Columbus, Ga., November 13.—(Special.)—The right hand of Mr. Albert Hardy, the nineteen-year-old son of Mr. W. T. Harvey, an engineer, became entangled in the machinery of the ginnery of Mr. J. D. Hendricks, where he is employed, yesterday afternoon, resulting in the arm being horribly mangled. It was found necessary to amputate the arm just above the elbow.

WAS KILLED BY THE OFFICER.

Negro Killed in Alabama While Resisting Arrest.

Columbus, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—A day or two ago Dick Jones dangerously stabbed Overseer Tom McDowell, on the Hatcher plantation, in Russell county, thirty miles from here, because the overseer had attached his belongings for rent past due.

Jones escaped to Chattahoochee county. Last night, an officer, Deputy Sheriff Stringer, of Russell county, attempted to arrest Jones in Chattahoochee county and Jones resisted arrest and tried to kill the officer and was shot and killed. The coroner's jury declared that the homicide was justifiable.

COURT CLERK IS SENT TO JAIL.

Supreme Court Chief Justice Won't Review Under Habeas Corpus Writ.

Raleigh, N. C., December 13.—(Special.)—The clerk of Granville superior court, who is a republican, declined to certify that a petition for the appointment of additional democratic magistrates was signed by freeholders and for this was adjudged in contempt by the superior court judge, who had ordered him to make the certificate, and imposed a fine of $250 and sent him to jail.

He instituted habeas corpus proceedings before the chief justice of the supreme court, who now decides that he has no jurisdiction to review under habeas corpus proceedings the action of another judge. The clerk's only remedy now lies in appealing to the supreme court.

HOLIDAY CHANGE AT EMORY.

Faculty Names Monday Instead of Saturday for Beginning Recess.

Oxford, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—The weekly holiday at Emory college has been changed by action of the faculty from Saturday until Monday. This will go into effect immediately after the Christmas holidays. There is, of course, quite a division of opinion among the students concerning this change. College will close on the 22d and reopen on the 31st.

TWO BISHOPS PREACH

Valdosta Pulpits Are Filled by Visiting Methodist Ministers.

CONFERENCE DRAWS TO END

Stove Explodes Twice in One Church and Causes Almost a Panic. A Marriage.

Valdosta, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—All the pulpits here today were filled by visiting ministers and Valdosta had two bishops holding services at the same time.

Bishop Duncan preached at the Methodist church and ordained the young preachers who were admitted to full connection with the conference yesterday. The sermon was based upon Paul's charge to Timothy, and was a strong one.

During the service some one near the heater closed it too tight and the gas exploded, blowing off the cap piece and causing the church to fill with smoke. The piece was quickly adjusted, but was blown off the second time and there was much excitement. The bishop remarked that it was the second time the devil had tempted him during the morning and suggested that if the audience was as full of religion as the stove was of heat that they would not be so easily frightened. The sally of wit added much in restoring order.

At the Episcopal church Bishop Nelson conducted the services and administered the baptismal ceremony and the holy communion.

Dr. Monk, of Macon, preached to a large audience at the Baptist church.

Dr. Thompson preached at the Presbyterian church and Rev. T. D. Ellis at the Hill Avenue Christian church.

This evening memorial services were held in honor of the following ministers who died during the year: Revs. F. C Ellis, of Valdosta; T. N. B. Wardlaw, of Tennessee; George C. Clark, of Elko, and H. T. Etheridge, of Cordele.

Tonight Rev. J. B. Anthony preached, by request of the conference, a sermon celebrating his fiftieth anniversary as a Methodist minister. He is one of the oldest and most vigorous preachers in the conference.

A runaway marriage was a feature of the conference week today. Mr. W. T. Marshall, of Cecil, and Miss Rose Crawford, of Mineola, came here to the services today and decided to marry while in the city. They went to the Cameron house and Rev. F. A. Ratcliffe performed the ceremony. The couple left on a train this evening for a bridal tour in Florida.

CONSTABLE BROWN KILLS KELLY

Officer Shoots a Man Who Was Supposed to Have Whisky.

Charleston, S. C., December 13.—A special to The News and Courier from Cheraw, S. C., says that the usually quiet town of Chesterfield is all excited over a fatal shooting that took place last evening.

It is claimed that much of the contraband whisky brought into this section of the state comes from the distilleries on the state line. Recently Marshal "Pink" Brantley, of Chesterfield, attempted to capture a man named Clark, passing through the streets with some in a buggy, and the effort resulted in the shooting and severe wounding of Clark by the marshal. Soon after this reports were rife of the extensiveness of the hauling through Chesterfield and a few days ago State Constable George J. Brown turned up there and has been on the lookout since. Early the past week he, with a party, captured a lot of the "stuff," committed to jail several parties and warrants were issued for still others. Following close on all this the constable had pointed out to him yesterday a man driving through town in a buggy with fodder tied on behind and was told that if he watched for him on his return he would probably be able to make another capture. The constable summoned Deputies Press Douglass, Swinnie and Dock Chapman and stationed himself and party on the road leading to the town and along which the buggy would have to pass on its return. Near nightfall the man was sighted. The four officers stationed themselves all on one side of the road, so that in case of any shooting they would not hit each other. As the man in the buggy neared them, Constable Brown says that he ordered him to throw up his hands and surrender. He leaned over, and the constable says, raised a long revolver and pointed it directly at him, and in an instant a shot was heard from one of the party and the man fell in his buggy. The wounded man was found to be Press Kelly, from Darlington county. He was taken at once to jail and physicians summoned, who reported that he had evidently been shot with a shotgun, one shot entering just over the right eye, one over the left eye, and one on each side of the nose. The physicians pronounced the wounds fatal and it was not though Kelly would be alive today. The captured team and whisky are in the hands of the sheriff. Brown declines to say which one of the party did the shooting, but it could not have been him, for he says he was armed with two pistols, so that the fatal shot must have been fired by one of the deputies. Brown claims that he would have been killed had not the shot been fired by his party when it was, for Kelly had his pistol almost in his face. The constable was advised to be on his guard and change his quarters last night by some of the citizens of the place, as Kelly is one of the Kelly brothers, of Kellytown, near Hartsville, and they feared for his safety. He came to Cheraw and spent the night here, claiming that he did do not through fear, but to be able to communicate with the governor.

TENNESSEE CADETS IN TROUBLE

Armory at University Broken Open and Guns Taken Away.

Knoxville, Tenn., December 13.—(Special.)—Last night the armory at the University of Tennessee, where 400 cadet rifles belonging to the United States government were stored, was broken open. The guns were found this morning all over the campus, some broken and some are missing. It is supposed that the cadets did the work through mischief, but it may mean more before they are through with it.

Captain LeRoy Brown, a United States army officer, is in charge of the military department, and he is holding an investigation. Several volleys were fired late last night from the rifles and a large quantity of ammunition is missing.

TO HELP THE DAY NURSERY.—The ladies in charge of the day nursery on Marietta street, where the infants and very young children of the poor are cared for during the day while their parents are at work, have secured a very handsome offer from Douglas, Thomas & Davison. This firm has very kindly offered to the charity 10 per cent of the net proceeds of their sales of Christmas goods on Friday and Saturday of this week. This will amount to quite an item and will be a substantial help to the ladies who are laboring hard for the nursery.

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CONTEST WILL COME UP TODAY.

Boatner-Benoit Case from Louisiana Will Be Called.

Washington, December 13.—Among the papers that will be laid before the house tomorrow will be the documents in the matter of the contest by Elexis Benoit for the seat for the fifth Louisiana district for the present term of the fifty-fourth congress, for which C. J. Boatner holds a certificate as a result of a special election held November 3d last.

Messrs. Boatner and Benoit were opponents at the election in 1894, at which time Boatner received a certificate for the full term, but he was unseated last spring as the result of a contest by Benoit. The house, however, refused to give the contestant the seat, for the reason that, while Boatner's election was invalid for intimidation and fraud, Benoit did not receive sufficient number of votes to warrant the house in declaring him elected. So they tried it over last month, and now Benoit asks the house to review the election.

The contest will go to the committee on elections No. 2, of which Johnson, republican, of Indiana, is chairman.

EX-SULTAN'S ESCAPE NOT TRUE.

Rumor of Freedom After Twenty Years' Confinement Not Credited.

London, December 13.—The report received yesterday in a special dispatch to The Berlin Tageblatt that ex-Sultan Murad, brother of the present sultan of Turkey, had escaped from the place where he had been confined for twenty years, is not credited in official and diplomatic circles here.

PROMINENT LAWYER IS DEAD

New Orleans Attorney Who Attained Distinction Dies.

New Orleans, December 13.—Hon. J. A. Rosier died today, aged seventy-nine years. He was born at St. Genevieve, Mo., came to New Orleans when a young man and graduated in law here fifty-two years ago. He went to France, pursued his studies in the civil law and graduated in Paris. He returned to New Orleans and soon made a great reputation.

He became prominent in politics in 1860 and was elected a member of the secession convention. After the fall of New Orleans Mr. Rosser was offered several important appointments, but declined them all. Governor Wilty tendered him the position of associate justice of the supreme court, but Mr. Rosier would not accept it. He knew more French law than any other lawyer of this city and was a recognized authority upon Louisiana's system of jurisprudence.

Robert L. Patterson, Asheville, N. C.

Raleigh, N. C., December 13.—(Special.)—Robert L. Patterson, chairman of the republican central committee, died at Asheville today.

L. K. Boone, Warmerville, Ga.

Sandersville, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—Professor L. K. Boone, of Warmerville, Meriwether county, died at the Sandersville hotel today after a brief illness.

Church Gets a Charter.

Americus, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—In superior court yesterday Judge Pou granted a charter for a new church to be erected here, the First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Americus.

MAJOR BOWIE DEAD

Died at His Home in This City Last Night at 11:30 O'Clock.

DEATH CAME SUDDENLY

Was in His Usual Health and the Blow Came Without Warning.

WAS A SUFFERER FROM HEART DISEASE

His Death Will Cause Universal Sorrow in Atlanta—Sketch of His Life.

Major John A. Bowie died last night at 11:30 o'clock at his residence on South Pryor street of organic heart trouble.

His death, which was very sudden and unexpected, will cause general sorrow in the city and throughout the state, and the announcement will carry pain to a host of friends who loved him for his manly traits of character and generous nature.

Death came almost without warning and his family was not prepared for the blow that came as the lightning's bolt. A short time before he died he was in his usual health and good spirits and no one dreamed that he was in a critical condition. Yesterday morning Major Bowie arose at his usual hour. He felt no indications of the coming stroke that would bring death. Later in the morning he drove to the residence of his sister, Mrs. Charles Kingsbery, where he died. Late last night he retired, and it was then for the first time that he realized that he was suffering. Quickly the end drew near, and before the fact could hardly be realized he was dead.

The funeral arrangements will be announced later, probably this afternoon. He leaves a wife and five daughters. His daughters, all of whom are married, are: Mrs. Samuel Martin, Mrs. J. S. Akers, Mrs. E. B. Gregory, Mrs. Charles L. Floyd and Mrs. T. J. Barnard. Major Bowie was sixty-three years of age, and although he had been afflicted with heart trouble for sometime, he had been regularly at his office and was not thought to be in any great danger.

Major Bowie came to Atlanta from Charleston in 1870 and for twenty-five years has been actively engaged in business in this city. Many years ago he became identified in the insurance business, which he successfully followed up to the time of his death. He was the local representative of the Delaware Fire Assocation, the Niagara Fire Insurance Company, the New York Plate Glass Insurance Company, and a number of other companies and societies. He had been more than ordinarily successful in business and made many friends in the commercial world.

Major Bowie was prominently connected with a number of enterprises in the city and was regarded as one of the most prominent and influential citizens of Atlanta.

DEATH OF A YOUNG LADY.

Miss Alice Cunningham Expired Suddenly Yesterday Morning.

Miss Alice Cunningham, who had for some time been a proofreader at the Franklin Printing Company, died very suddenly yesterday morning at her late residence, 474 East Fair street. Miss Cunningham had until a few moments of her illness enjoyed exceptionally good health and her death was not only unexpected, but was a severe shock to her relatives and friends.

She arose yesterday morning at her usual hour and was seemingly not only in good health, but in good spirits also. After eating a hearty breakfast she attended to some household duties and then began to help her sister prepare dinner. While engaged in this occupation she suddenly complained of pains in her head, but no importance was attached to her complaints, it being thought by herself and the family that it was only some passing indisposition.

Soon, however, she became so seriously ill that it was necessary to assist her to bed and a messenger was dispatched for a physician. But when he arrived she was already dying and he could do little more than relieve her suffering. In a few moments she had passed away, the physician pronouncing her ailment congestion of the brain. She was a lovely young lady and had many friends in the city. Her high character and sweet disposition had endeared her to all who knew her, and her death is a sad blow. The funeral services will be held at the residence this afternoon at 3 o'clock and the interment will be at Oakland cemetery.

DROPPED DEAD WHILE AT WORK

Untimely End of Mr. Fletcher Bishop in Augusta Yesterday.

Mr. C. Fletcher Bishop, who is well known in this city, and who is the brother of Mr. Thomas L. Bishop, dropped dead in Augusta yesterday morning. He had lived in this city until a few weeks ago, when he left for Augusta to help repair the damages which had been caused to the telephone system of that city by the recent storm. Mr. Bishop has been to Augusta before and his skill as a lineman had made him popular with his employers and had earned for him the title of "Squirrel" Bishop.

Yesterday morning he went to his work as usual, apparently in good health, or if he was feeling unwell he said nothing of it to those who were with him. Suddenly he felt a dizziness coming over him and at the same time he said that he could not see. He sat down for a few moments, when he seemed to feel better. He remained seated for a few moments longer, however, in order that he might sufficiently recover from what was supposed to be a passing indisposition, and when his dizziness had entirely left him he attempted to arise.

He succeeded in getting about half way up when he suddenly fell back dead. His companions rushed to him, but it was too late; he had already expired. His family in this city were notified of the sad and untimely end of the young man and his remains were sent here last night. Mr. Bishop had reached the age of twenty-six years and had made many friends in this city. The funeral services will be held at the residence of Mr. Thomas L. Bishop, 387 South Boulevard, this morning at 9:30 o'clock and the interment will be at the family burying ground in Clayton county.

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MISS G. G. FLOWERS DEAD.

Passed Away at Her Late Residence Yesterday Morning.

After a short illness Mrs. G. G. Flowers died yesterday afternoon at her late residence, 278 Piedmont avenue. Until a few weeks ago she had enjoyed comparatively good health, but she was suddenly stricken down with rheumatism and died yesterday afternoon, while surrounded by her family.

Mrs. Flowers had reached the age of forty years, and was loved by all who knew her. Her remains will be taken to Thomason this afternoon, at which place the funeral services and interment will occur tomorrow afternoon.

AN OLD CITIZEN DEAD.

Mr. Marginus A. Bell Expired Late Yesterday Afternoon.

Mr. Marginus A. Bell, who at one time was one of the most prominent citizens of this city, and who has lived here for many years, died yesterday afternoon at his late residence, 91 Garnett street. He had been in bad health for a number of years, and his death was not unexpected by his friends and relatives.

Mr. Bell had for a long time been a familiar figure on the streets of this city. He at one time was one of the most prominent lawyers of the city and enjoyed a large and lucrative practice. He was the father of Mr. Piromis Bell, who is well known here, and was the uncle of Miss Orelia Bell, the poetess.

The immediate cause of his death was heart trouble. The funeral services will be held at the late residence this morning at 10 o'clock and the interment will be at Oakland cemetery.

Death of Mr. Angel.

Mr. John Angel, after a lingering illness, died late Saturday night at his late residence on Bellwood avenue. Consumption was the cause of his death, and he had reached the age of twenty-six years. The funeral services will be held at the residence this morning and the interment will be at Hollywood cemetery.

WILL DEBATE NEXT FRIDAY

BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL WILL ENTERTAIN ITS FRIENDS.

Excellent Programme Has Been Prepared and the Occasion Will Be an Enjoyable One.

The annual Christmas exercises of the Boys' High school will take place next Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock in the Browning hall at the Girls' High school. The occasion will be an eventful one and the whole school has been looking forward to the time of its occurrence, while those who are on the programme have been exerting themselves in order to make presentable speeches on the platform.

One of the interesting features of the exercises will be the delivery of the prizes. Mr. Charles W. Crankshaw has endowed the school with a beautiful gold medal, which will be presented to the champion debater of the school, the contest to be decided by the speeches that are made at the exercises, and the firm of Maier & Berkele has offered a magnificent gold medal to the young man who makes the best declamation of the occasion.

The judges who will make the awards have been selected by Professor W. M. Slaton, the principal of the school, and no one knows who they are except him. The prizes will be presented to the winners by Mr. L. L. Knight, and this of itself is sufficient guarantee that the occasion will be an enjoyable one.

The programme is as follows:

Music, Wurm's orchestra; declamations, Guy Myers, first grade C; Charles J. Kicklighter, first grade B; Dewald A. Cohen, first grade A; Archie W. Little, second grade; Emile Breitenbucher, senior class; music, Wurm's orchestra. Debate—"Resolved, That the United States should recognize the belligerent rights of Cuba;" affirmative, Stiles Hopkins, leader; W. A. Haygood, Jr., Frank Merrill; negative, Jesse M. Wood, leader; Herbert A. Sage, William Hurd Hillyer, C. D. Dorsey, Henry D. Phillips, Harry A. Cole. Music. President's decision. Report of critics. Delivery of prizes. The special officers are W. Robert Gramling, president; W. F. Parkhurst, Jr., secretary; Warner Martin, assistant secretary; Ralph B. Smith, Charles R. Andrews, critics. Mr. Lucian L. Knight will deliver the prizes. The public is most cordially invited.

The school has enjoyed a season of unprecedented prosperity during the present term and boys are developing a decided taste for literary work as the year advances. The efficient principal of the school, Professor W. M. Slaton, has been untiring in his efforts to place the school above the average and he has been loyally supported by the faculty. The exercises next Friday will be unusually interesting and the public is cordially invited to attend.

NO FIRES FOR ONE WEEK.

The Year's Record Has Been Broken and the Laddies Are Happy.

For the first time this year the fire department passed an entire week without having a single run. This is considered something remarkable in a city the size of Atlanta, and the fire laddies are now engaged in guessing how long the season of rest will last.

The last fire which the department has been called upon to quench occurred December 6th. It was a store near the corner of Houston and Hilliard streets, and was supposed to have been of incendiary origin. That fire occurred at 12 o'clock, and last night at the same hour the record for the year had been broken.

SPINNERS' UNION ORGANIZED.

Order Instituted in Augusta with the Greatest Secrecy.

Augusta, Ga., December 13.—At a secret meeting of mill operatives today Robert Howard, of Fall River, and Rev. Mr. Estes, of Columbus, Ga., organized a spinners' union.

The nature of the order is not known, as the closest secrecy has been maintained about the whole matter. No one holding the position of overseer or anything more important was permitted in the meeting.

International Conference on Sugar.

Paris, December 13.—The Temps says that an international conference will be held in this city in March to discuss proposals having in view the abolishing of the system by which consumers bear the burden of the bounties granted to sugar manufacturers.

WORDS OF WELCOME

Atlanta Pastors Extend Cordial Greeting to Rev. Theron H. Rice.

LARGE CONGREGATION PRESENT

Beautiful Recognition Services at the Central Presbyterian.

MR. RICE IS WELCOMED TO ATLANTA

He Was Promised Brotherly Love and the Co-operation of the City Pastors.

The service of welcome to Rev. Theron H. Rice was held last night at the Central Presbyterian church. There was a large attendance of the members of all the churches of the city. Many of the pastors of the different denominations were present.

The services began at 7:30 o'clock and was an unusually interesting one. The choir rendered several selections and the addresses were noteworthy for the expression of brotherly spirit among the congregations of the city.

All the churches were active participants in extending Dr. Rice a cordial welcome to his new pastorate. The sentiments of the speakers were well calculated to assure him of kind consideration and hearty cooperation on the part of all the ministers and congregations of Atlanta.

Rev. E. H. Barnett, of the First Presbyterian church, presided and presented the ministers who made addresses of welcome to the new pastor.

After a selection by the choir, followed by the doxology, Rev. F. H. Gaines, of Decatur, invoked the spirit of God to guide the service, bless him about to enter a new field of usefulness, to strengthen the spirit of fraternity manifested in the occasion and to turn the feet of the children of all nations and races into paths of righteousness and truth.

The congregation then rose and sang the hymn, "All hail the power of Jesus name."

Dr. Barnett presented Rev. Henry McDonald, saying, "It is meet that the opening address of welcome should be delivered by the oldest pastor in the city. I mean oldest not in point of his own years but oldest in the service of God. Dr. McDonald is an Irishman and he will give our brother a welcome as none but an Irishman can give."

Dr. McDonald spoke in his happy, forceful style. He said:

"It gives me special pleasure to meet with this congregation and to bear words of welcome to him sent to fill this pulpit. The denominations of Atlanta are closely related. 'I am sure the topographical relation is not as strong as the spiritual kinship that binds us. I have special reasons to rejoice in the spirit of fellowship that prevails, such a unanimity is Christ Jesus. I am an intense Baptist and because I am an intense Baptist I have an intense liking for Presbyterians.

"I should be untrue to my own convictions if I did not say that with all my heart I welcome him who comes among us. He comes from a city that sprang from the very ashes of the war. I am glad he comes to make his home in Atlanta. I need say nothing of the glory of Atlanta. She is well enough advertised already. People build fine houses here and everything shows progress and prosperity. It is under these circumstances that people need the gospel most. Therefore I welcome you as a laborer in our midst. And may God bless you as you go out in your work. In the name of my people and in the name of the common Master I bid you welcome."

Dr. McDonald shook the hand of the new pastor and the latter bowed his acknowledgment of the cordial greeting.

Dr. Hopkins, of the First Methodist church, was then introduced. He said:

"To a member of my church I once remarked about Dr. Barnett that he was good enough to be a Methodist. 'Yes,' said the lady, 'we need some that sort.' So I have been careful about joking ever since.

"We welcome our brother to a great military encampment where each one has a duty to perform. Perhaps I should make the figure stronger and say that we welcome him to a great battlefield where is heard the tramp of the war horse, and, above all, the commanding voice of God. Perhaps I should say we welcome him to a flock of sheep where some wander away from the fold. I welcome him to the fellowship that exists among the pastors of Atlanta. We are all going to victory and we stand shoulder to shoulder.

"There are signs in the air that mean much. I hear expressions that make me believe that we are on the eve of a great revival. This brother comes just in time to participate in the revival and we most cordially welcome him among us."

The next speaker was Rev. R. V. Atkisson, of the Central Congregational church. He said:

"Close fellowship and sincere relationship exists between the Congregational and the Presbyterian churches. The Presbyterians and Congregationalists have always cooperated. I, therefore, take great pleasure in welcoming you here."

Rev. J. W. Roberts, of Trinity Methodist church, made a short address of welcome. He said that it was his desire to make the new pastor feel at home. He told of his early experiences and how a cold reception had had a bad effect on him for a long time afterwards. He urged everybody to take the new pastor like a brother.

Dr. Landrum made a few remarks of welcome and Dr. Rice responded, saying that he would do all he could in the great work of saving souls. He said, "If God so loved us we ought to love one another."

He invoked the blessing of God on all those who had delivered addresses of welcome and on the whole congregation.

Rev. C. P. Williamson, of the First Christian church, pronounced the benediction and the congregation was dismissed.

HE IS RAPID ON THE KEYBOARD

Young Man of Columbus Averages 119 Words a Minute.

Columbus, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—There is now in Columbus the breaker of the world's record for rapid writing on a typewriter. This is Mr. G. A. Henderson, son of Judge John H. Henderson, tax receiver of Muscogee county, who is here on a visit home. At the time of Mr. Bryan's tour through West Virginia, The Huntington Times employed Mr. Henderson to report the speech. He did so on a typewriter and when the distinguished orator had concluded he handed to the paper a typewritten report of the speech. Mr. Bryan averaged 119 words per minute, and this feat of Mr. Henderson's smashed the world's record. The highest up to that time had been about 100 words per minute.

Yesterday afternoon at a joint meeting of depositors of the late Chattahoochee National bank, now defunct, and of Receiver Flournoy, of the bank, the depositors asked that the receiver make a statement as to the progress being made in winding up the affairs of the institution. This information Mr. Flournoy gave readily. He has collected from the stockholders nearly $30,000. His payment to the depositors so far in settlement of their claims has been $28,800. He now has on hand in cash nearly $10,000. The depositors appointed a committee to see the receiver this week and get a detailed statement of these matters.

Now that the aldermanic election is over the interest in local politics will resume its normal state. The election yesterday was one of the quietest seen in this city in years, and though there were two or three interesting races the contests were not very exciting. A novel feature of the election was the fact of the candidacy of a socialist or labor ticket. This had no effect upon the election, however, as the largest vote polled by any candidate on this ticket was thirty-two ballots.

THE PLANS OF THE TRUSTEES.

EXPECT TO PREPARE PLANS FOR THE NEW BUILDING.

The Need for Additional Classroom at University Is So Urgent That Work Will Commence Soon.

The prudential committee of the board of trustees of the University of Georgia hope in a few days to begin preliminary work on plans for a new building for the State university, now that the appropriation providing for it has passed the house by a handsome majority, and promises to pass the senate without opposition.

The necessity for more room is so urgent that the trustees are anxious to begin work at the earliest possible moment.

The new building which it is proposed to build at the university is to comprise chemical and electrical laboratories and lecture rooms for classes in these branches of study. The English department at Athens has been much crowded for the past few years, and it is proposed to set aside a portion of the new buildings for the English classes.

The university has a fine collection of geological and mineralogical specimens, which have been almost useless for several years because there was no place to properly display these specimens for teaching purposes.

For some time past the librarian of the university has been making a collection of historical books which bear specially upon the history of Georgia and the south. This library, it is hoped, will be so complete as to deserve a special room in the new building.

Besides furnishing comfortable space for the departments of chemistry, electricity and the English language, a new building will relieve overcrowding in several of the old buildings, so that more efficient work can be done in every department.

MISS CORNELL SURPRISED.

SAYS SHE DOESN'T KNOW WHY MRS. LINDY GAVE MONEY.

Remembers Meeting a Canadian Lady on a Train Between Griffin and Macon Last Year.

Macon, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—Miss Cecile Cornell was called on at her home, 134 Forsyth street, and asked if she had been left $300,000 by a wealthy lady in Canada, as reported. Miss Cornell looked surprised and said:

"No; it must be a joke. Are you sure you are not playing a joke on me?" she laughingly asked.

She was assured there was no joke and was asked to think over it and try to remember if she ever knew a wealthy woman in Canada. Miss Cornell thought a while and then almost jumped from her chair cried:

"Oh, yes, I do remember a wealthy lady whose home is in Canada. I met her on a train coming from the encampent at Griffin June before last. She was traveling in a private car with a lady going to Florida. I first met her companion, who carried me in the special coach and introduced me to her. She was Mrs. Cecile Lindy, but I don't remember in what part of Canada she lived. I remained with her until we reached Macon and noticed she seemed to become greatly attached to me, especially after she learned my name was Cecile, which she said was her own name. She asked me many questions about myself and took my address. She also told me she had no near relatives and that she was a widow. She was going to Florida for her health. I remember that she was very beautiful. I don't know why she should leave me her money, if the story is true."

Miss Cornell is the daughter of Mr. George P. Cornell, a well-known citizen of Macon. She is very pretty and accomplished and one of the most popular young ladies of the younger society circles.

THE PASSING THRONG.

Mr. William Checkley Shaw, who is the vice president of the Georgia Southern and Florida railroad, is the guest of the Aragon.

Mr. Joe Eddleman, who at one time lived in this city, but who at present is the representative of a Rochester, N. Y., firm, arrived in the city yesterday.

Mr. W. H. Atwood and wife, of New York city, are stopping at the Aragon.

Mr. W. P. Rutland, who is a relative of Mrs. T. B. Neal, of this city, is in the city for a few days.

Mr. E. J. Bliss and wife arrived in the city yesterday for a stay of a few days.

Mr. W. A. Turk, the general passenger agent of the Southern system, arrived yesterday and will probably remain for several days.

Mr. W. E. Kay, a prominent attorney of Brunswick, is in the city, the guest of the Kimball house.

Mr. T. W. Palmer and wife, of Macon, arrived in the city yesterday and are stopping at the Kimball.

Mr. William Riley Boyd, of this city, left last night for an extended trip through southwest Georgia, and will probably be gone for ten days.

He Kept the Money.

Jim Goodlett, a negro man, was arrested last night by Officer Petty and confined in the station house on the charge of robbery. It appears that Jim has been employed for some time past by the Johnson Grocery Company, which does business at 90 Capitol avenue. Jim was detailed to do the collecting, but he made the mistake of not turning over about $30 of his collections, which was soon found out by his employers. He was arrested last night and will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

Forecast for Today.

Washington, December 13.—North and South Carolina, Georgia and Eastern Florida—Partly cloudy; light, local showers; southeasterly winds.

Western Florida—Generally fair; southerly winds.

Mississippi and Alabama—Fair, except in extreme northern portion; local showers; cooler in northern portions; southerly winds.

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BELL—Died, at his late residence, 91 Garner street, Marginius A. Bell, December 3, 1896, in the sixty-second year of his age. Funeral will take place at 10 o'clock this morning, from his residence.

MEETINGS.



The forty-ninth annual convocation of Mount Zion chapter, No. 16, Royal Arch Masons, will be held in Masonic hall, corner of Pryor and Hunter streets, at 7 o'clock sharp, this (Monday) evening. Officers will be elected to serve the ensuing year. Sojourning as well as resident companions are cordially and fraternally invited. Refreshments will be served during the evening. Elevator at the Pryor street entrance.

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BOYS WHO WOULD BE TRAMPS.

Sad Experience of Atlanta Runaways. Turn Up in Savannah.

Two out of five runaway boys from Atlanta have turned up in Savannah, sadder and wiser from the experience.

They went away from home ambitious to be tramps, thinking that it would be great fun and that they would see the world in royal style. Now they know better and are sorry. The boys gave themselves up to the police authorities at Savannah and want to be sent back to their papas and mammas in Alanta.

The two boys are sons of well-known Atlantians. The following special to The Constitution from Savannah tells of their adventure:

Savannah, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—Two boys, twelve and fourteen years old, walked into the sergeant's office at the police barracks last night and asked for the chief. They gave their names as Logan Flower and Earl Johnson, and said that they ran away from their homes in Atlanta Monday.

They made their way down the Central railroad, stealing a ride occasionally. Their total cash assets when they left Atlanta was $1 and that was soon dissipated. They are bright, intelligent looking fellows, but they were tired and dusty and hungry when they reached Savannah. Chief McDermott telegraphed their parents.

Young Johnson is the son of W. E. Johnson, who keeps the Atlanta market on Broad street, and Flower is the son of W. P. Flower, a contractor. They say they left home with three other boys, John Kise, Tom Willy and one other, whose name they did not know.

TO BE TRIED FOR WHITECAPPING

Sumter County Young Men Leave Threatening Letters for Negroes.

Americus, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—A half dozen well-known young men residing in this county will be tried when court reconvenes after the holidays for alleged whitecapping.

Recently two negroes living near town found letters of a threatening nature on their gatepost, advising them to leave the country and threatening dire consequences if they failed to obey. The letter was ornamented with pictures of skulls, cross-bones, bowie knives, etc., and frightened the darkies out of their wits.

Several arrests have already been made and the trial will prove an interesting one.

Their New Pastor.

Athens, Ga., December 13.—(Special.)—Rev. Miles H. Dillard, the new pastor of Oconee Street church, preached his first sermon of the conference year this morning to a large congregation. His subject was "God is Light," and the sermon was magnificent. Mr. Dillard has already made a most favorable impression upon his congregation.

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ATLANTA, GA., December 14, 1896.

A Revival of Despotism.

While democracy is steadily pushing its way to the front in America there are signs in the east which indicate a revival of despotism.

Only a few weeks ago the czar of Russia announced that he would dispense with the services of his bureau and conduct the affairs of the empire on his own responsibility. Scarcely had the young autocrat made this declaration before the shah of Persia announced that he would not require the assistance of his prime minister in transacting the affairs of the kingdom. Within the last few days the emperor of China, envious, no doubt, of the honors bestowed upon Li Hung Chang, has likewise displayed the greed of a despot, and notified his advisers that he intends to take the affairs of the kingdom into his own hands.

With respect to Persia and China it is barely possible that these ambitious designs may succeed. Both countries are still emersed in superstition, and are prone to look upon their rulers as divinely inspired. In Persia especially it is likely that little opposition will be provoked by his despotic policy.

The young czar of Russia, however, is not apt to enjoy such an easy triumph. Within the last few years the cause of freedom has made decided progress in Russia, and the czar is no longer the imperial despot he was a few days ago. While the present czar has announced his intention to rule without a bureau, he has not as yet made that intention good, and before he does so it is likely that a most interesting chapter of European history will be written.

The Truth from Quay.

The Hon. Matthew Stanley Quay, United States senator from Pennsylvania, has recently given utterance to sentiments which, coming from him, must be regarded as somewhat remarkable. Mr. Quay says:

> I am opposed to the * * * theory that organized wealth shall dictate high office, and so take possession of the government. * * * The people * * * most in need of protection are the farmers, the small storekeepers, the artisans and the laborers, and I stand by them. * * * I go into the barricades with the bourgeoise and the men in blouses. * * * There must be less business and more principle in our politics. * * * The business interests are making our politics sordid and corrupt. The tremendous sums of money furnished by business men are polluting the wellsprings of our national being.

Now these sentiments are remarkable when they fall from the lips or come from the pen of Mr. Quay for the simple reason that they are purely democratic and entirely foreign to the aims, purposes and pursuits of the men who lead the republican party and manage its machinery.

They are remarkable, too, from the fact that Mr. Quay has not been noted heretofore as a reformer, or as a friend of the people, but as a very able machine politician. Not many years ago the senator from Pennsylvania was caught, as it were, with the signs of the gravy on his mouth and face, and it is only recently that the great reform editors of the country have ceased to remind him of his crisp phrase in regard to "addition, division and silence."

And now, after his record as a republican and a political schemer, he declares that he stands with the people who are most in need of protection—that he goes "into the barricades with the bourgeoise and the men in 'blouses;'" and to this he adds this amazing statement: "There must be less business and more principle in our politics;" "the business interests are making our politics sordid and corrupt. The tremendous sums of money furnished by business men are polluting the wellsprings of our national being."

Now, nothing can be truer than these statements, but the amazing thing is that it should be left for Quay to enter a protest so apt and so just—Quay, the party manager, the machine politician, the expert log roller and wire puller!

The Constitution trusts that his conversion is complete, but it is a matter that invites doubt. Nevertheless, if Mr. Quay will stick to these new convictions, and follow his principles where they inevitably lead, he will not only find himself in the democratic party four years from now, but he will soon be on the winning side. For Mr. Mark A. Hanna has not only won a victory for the syndicate which he represented in the campaign, but has given the people a new and an important issue to consider, and one which will come up for settlement as persistently as the other great issues that have arisen from time to time.

Mr. Hanna's campaign has been an object lesson to the people of the whole country. His aggressive employment of money instead of arguments and the colossal corruption fund which the business connections of his syndicate enabled him to collect, have demonstrated to the people the futility of a republican form of government based on principle, if money is to take the place of argument.

We do not know whether Mr. Quay is sincere in his utterances or not; but we do know that he hits the nail on the head. He has told the truth, and it is not necessary to inquire into his motives. It is to be hoped that he has reached that period in his career when he desires to leave as a heritage to his children or to his family a more substantial reputation than that which is based on the successes of a political spoilsman.

Does Russia Want the Philippines?

While Spain is rejoicing over the reported death of Antonio Maceo a bulletin from the Philippine islands announces a brilliant victory for the insurgents in that quarter of the globe. In view of the recent disasters which have overtaken the Spanish army in the Philippines this last victory may have a decisive effect upon the campaign.

So far as the attitude of the various European powers is concerned, the cause of Spain is already lost. Indeed, the question which European diplomats are now discussing is whether the possession of the Philippines will fall into the hands of Russia or Japan.

As strategic points, these islands are extremely valuable to either country, as they control the waters of the China sea. For several years Japan has coveted these fertile islands, but she has never undertaken to wrest them from Spain. With the present uprising, however, she has experienced a fresh desire to extend her empire in the neighborhood of the Philippines, and, if reports can be relied upon, she has already dispatched vessels to aid the cause of the insurgents.

Except to render this military aid, Japan has taken no steps as yet toward the establishment of her rule over the Philippines. In the event such a step is taken it is likely that Russia will interfere. Having already obtained a foothold in China within the last few months, Russia is also anxious to acquire possession of the Philippines. As between the two countries Russia, of course, on account of her superior power, stands the better chance of capturing the prize. While Japan is a wide-awake and enterprising nation, she has not the strength to cope with Russia, and it would never do for her to antagonize that great power.

With respect to the present revolution on the island it looks as if the cause of Spanish despotism is doomed. If Spain is not able to subdue the Cubans there is no ground for hoping that she will be able to subdue the Philippines.

Dishonoring Democracy.

The following press dispatch has a familiar ring about it in some of its parts, but the main feature of it is essentially new—the feature which gives a sort of family-affair twist to the business of making democratic removals and republican appointments:

> Walworth, N. Y., December 12.—C. A. Morse, democratic postmaster at this place, has been removed and his successor is J. W. Baker, a life-long republican. It is reported that Morse was removed because of his active support of W. J. Bryan in the late campaign. President Cleveland wrote his sister, Mrs. L. T. Yeomans, who resides here, and had been instrumental in securing the appointment of Morse, inquiring what was the matter with her postmaster, giving an outline of several complaints received. Mrs. Yeomans, it is said, made an investigation, the result of which was that she asked the removal of Morse and that J. W. Baker be appointed.

This is, of course, a very insignificant affair in many of its aspects, and yet the narrow, bitter and unexplainable prejudices of Mr. Cleveland were never more clearly displayed. Democrats have been removed from office by Mr. Cleveland for supporting the nominee of their party, but not often has he appointed republicans to fill the vancancies thus made.

There is some consolation in knowing that a few short months will put an end to Spanish methods in party matters. After the 4th of March next Mr. Cleveland will be as powerless to vent his spleen on democrats as the humblest citizen; and while the people of this section will not have a president of their own making, they will at least have a man in the white house who will not place his narrowness on public exhibition, and who will prove true to his party; a man who will probably not forget his obligations to the people, nor seek to make membership in the party that elected him a dishonor, or a badge of disfranchisement so far as the holding of office is concerned.

And though democrats neither expect nor hope to profit by Mr. McKinley's election, they do expect to see him set a wholesome example of party loyalty, party honesty and party integrity. Such an example at this time will exert a favorable influence on the public mind.

Such examples of petty spite as Mr. Cleveland has exhibited so far from injuring the democratic party simply contribute to its strength. They serve to knit its units more closely together, so that when Mr. Cleveland vainly imagines that he is tearing down, he is really building up, but no credit is due to him on that account.

Presidential Inauguration.

Since the days of Thomas Jefferson a radical change has taken place in the manner of inaugurating presidents of the United States.

Our American life has lost much of its simplicity. With the growth of the nation from a small and feeble beginning there has crept into its life a fondness for display which did not exist in the time of our fathers. Seventy-five years ago the inauguration of a president was treated as something of a religious ceremony, and the entire day was permeated with a spirit of reverence. At the present time, however, the chief executive is ushered into office with great pomp and eclat. On the day set apart for the exercises the city of Washington is converted into a vast parade ground, and from every part of the country multitudes flock to catch a glimpse of the new chief magistrate and to view the spectacle of the nation's soldiery. To this splendid pageant a sumptuous wreath is added in the nature of a ball, which is now recognized as one of the indispensable features of the inaugural.

Without undertaking to criticise the present method of inaugurating our chief executive, it is interesting to note the gradual changes which the century has wrought in this once simple, democratic custom. When the time arrived for Mr. Jefferson to assume the duties of his high position as president of this country he mounted his favorite horse, and, riding alone through the gloomy Virginia woods, entered the city of Washington with as much simplicity of manner as if the mission which brought him to the nation's capital was one of ordinary significance. In the ceremony which followed, there was not the least display or affectation; and just as soon as the oath of office was administered, Mr. Jefferson entered upon his official duties.

The inauguration of Mr. Jefferson is suggested by the fact that Mark Hanna is now in Washington arranging for the coming inaugural ceremonies next March. It is only by way of contrast, however, that Mr. Jefferson's inauguration is brought to mind in this connection. If the republican boss is correctly reported, he intends to make the coming event by far the most imposing ceremony of its kind ever known to American politics. One of the chief features of the occasion will be a magnificent ball, and everything that wealth can purchase will be tributary to the splendor of that event. In one of his cherished plans, however, the Napoleonic genius of the republican boss has been outwitted. It was Mr. Hanna's design to procure the handsome new library building and to this end he put in a formal application, without once dreaming of a refusal. Senator Morrill, however, who is the father of the congressional library and who believes in keeping the hall sacred to literature, raised a protest against the plan of Mr. Hanna, which resulted in its abandonment. Though balked in his scheme, the republican boss declares that the forthcoming ball will be the grandest event of its kind ever known in Washington.

Another petty postmaster has fallen a victim to Clevelandism. The more the merrier!

Quay as a man of the people introduces a new figure in our politics.

No doubt Mr. Hanna's attempt to elect United States senators according to "business" methods will prove a success this time.

Perhaps Mr. Quay is simply jealous of Hanna as a political factor.

Editor Pulitzer's eyes are so weak that he can't see Mr. Cleveland's celebrated surplus.

The killing of Maceo is a fresh illustration of the Spanish character.

Mr. Hanna practically announces that he is under contract with his political syndicate to furnish a job lot of United States senators favorable to his ideas.

If Santa Claus follows the high example of Cleveland, the children of democrats will get sand in their stockings.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Hhe following table shows that, from a sanitary point of view, Europe is far ahead of the United States. For every 100,000 inhabitants the number of deaths resulting from typhoid fever in Europe is as follows:

Berlin	5
Munich	3
Hamburg	9
The Hague	5
Rotterdam	2
Stockholm	9
Christiana	7
Vienna	6
Dresden	5
Breslau	9
Average	6

With respect to this country, however, the showing is altogether different. The record for some of our leading American cities is as follows:

Chicago	32
Cincinnati	36
Cleveland	36
Washington	74
Pittsburg	77
Jersey City	71
Louisville	77
Indianapolis	97
Philadelphia	40
Buffalo	29
Average	56.9

One reason for this difference between the two countries lies in the fact that Americans drink vitiated water. This is specially true with reference to the cities, where well water is often contaminated by impurities. In Europe, however, only pure water is furnished the inhabitants. These facts should be considered by the health authorities in our various cities. With a climate as salubrious as that possessed by any nation on the globe, there is no reason why this country should not at least rival Europe in its sanitary conditions.

The fire loss of the United States and Canada for the month of November, according to the calculations of The New York Journal of Commerce, amounts to $5,211,800. For the preceding months of the year the record is as follows:

Month.	1894	1895.	1896.
January	$10,568,400	$11,895,600	$11,040,000
Feb.	11,297,600	12,360,200	9,730,100
March	9,147,100	14,293,300	14,329,900
April	11,540,000	11,018,150	12,010,600
May	10,777,800	7,761,350	10,618,600
June	8,282,300	9,223,000	5,721,250
July	16,307,000	9,085,000	9,033,250
August	10,432,800	9,929,000	8,896,250
September	10,149,900	10,766,200	8,209,650
October	8,186,700	13,411,500	8,993,000
November	12,135,800	10,131,500	5,211,800
Total	$117,925,400	$119,820,900	$104,293,500

The state of Washington is engaged in the task of reclaiming 1,000,000 acres of desert land within the state limits. In order to render the soil fertile it will be subjected to a thorough process of irregation. For this purpose a canal 150 miles in length will be constructed, within the next few months. Only a part of this immense tract will be irrigated at once and if the plan succeeds, as it no doubt will, it can be very easily extended. At present the land is useless, but when fertilized it will support something like 8,500 families.

The quantity of charcoal which the various woods produce is as follows: Of the oaks, 100 parts will yield 23 parts of charcoal; beech, 21; the elms, the apple and the white pine, 23; birch, 24; maple, 22; willow, 18; poplar, 20; hard pine, 22½. All charcoal used in the manufacture of gunpowder is made from either willow or elderwood.

JUST FROM GEORGIA.

Lucinda's Fan.

(From Town Topics.)

Through its feathery bars twinkled twin little stars
On the gallants who came to woo;
And a glimmer of pearls
And a shimmer of curls
Were seen o'er its barriers blue.
And knights who had won the red rose of the fray
Were waved by its subtle enchantment away.

It caught the cool zephyrs from violet vales
And rippled them over the lace;
Its velvety tips
Knew the red of her lips
And the delicate dimples a-race!
And thoughtfully tapping, with hesitant love,
It sounded the knell of true hearts on—her glove!

It dazzled the dreaming of peasants and prince
In a witching and wonderful way;
And the birds of the blooms
That were slain for its plumes—
O, its mistress was fickle as they!
The envy of maid and the worship of man
For the fame of her face and the fate of her fan.

But one came to woo with his sword at his side
And his laurel all worthily won,
And strangely and sweet
Fluttered down at his feet
The fan—for its mission was done!
Good grace to the gallants it warded away!
But love came in triumph and gained the fair day!

—Frank L. Stanton.

Christmas Days.

Christmas days
And Christmas ways—
Never time like this is!
Christmas noise
And Christmas joys—
Christmas hugs and kisses.

(Ladies, ladies
To the right!
Kiss your lover
Christmas night!)

Christmas days
And Christmas ways—
What though skies be snowing?
Still the heart
Can play its part—
Still the music's going!

(Ladies, ladies
To the right!
Kiss your lover
Christmas night!)

Who can fathom genius? A poet, whose name we have not noticed in the magazines—though he is clearly entitled to recognition—sends the following patriotic verse:

"I like the cause of Cuba
And wish her very well;
Lord have mercy on us all
And less not go to hell."

There are fifteen verses—but we give the strongest. There is patriotism for you, and piety—all in four lines. If Mr. Gilder wants the rest he can have it on his own order—provided stamps are inclosed for forwarding.

Mr. Samuel Minturn Peck is writing his European reminiscences for The New Orleans Times-Democrat. Peck is the only genuine poet we ever heard of who went to Europe and didn't have to work his way back. F. L. S.

Not Reed, of Georgia.

In The Chicago Times-Herald of Saturday last, beginning at the tip-top of an editorial column, there is a yard of verse entitled "A Cracker Courtship," the scene being laid in "Rabun county, Georgia, 1896." We were attracted to the verses by a name which is well known to literature—that of Wallace Putnam Reed, who appears as the author of them. We quote:

"Old Brown and his wife had gone to bed—
A put up job of Sue's—
And the way looked smooth to young Jim Head,
Tho' he blushed way down in his shoes.

"The moments fled and glided on,
The pine-knot blaze grew dim;
A good half hour was lost and gone,
But not a word spoke Jim.

"Instead of that, he silently swore—
Not at Sue, who had the chair,
But at himself, who had the floor—
And then he pull'd his hair.

"At last, but slowly, the words were spoken:
'I wuz feelin' pow'ful weak,
Jes' after I come—sorter broken,
An' skeercely able ter speak.'

"At this the eyes of Susan Brown
Began to flash with pleasure—
She felt that she had got him down,
And could finish him at her leisure."

Did Wallace Putnam Reed, the Georgia writer, pen those lines? Never in the world! In the first place, the Georgia Mr. Reed is strongly opposed to dialect in rhyme or out of it; indeed he said so recently in one of his most interesting articles in The Times-Herald. He is on record as saying that if our children are to dabble in dialect there is no need whatever to educate them at the common schools or universities; and it is well known that Mr. Reed had a rupture with Mr. Gilder and stopped his subscription to The Century because that magazine published the following gem from a now famous Indiana author:

"I wuz fer union—yo ergin it;
'Pears ter me 'at both wuz winner,
Lookin' at it now, an' all 'at's in it:
Less go ter dinner!"

No; Wallace Putnam Reed, who is so well known and so universally admired, could not, or would not, have written that "Cracker Courtship" business. He must have a namesake in Chicago, just as James Lane Allen has, who has "put up a job on him." If the reader has any doubt on this subject, let him follow the "Cracker Courtship" further:

"The fire blazed up, and so did Sue,
But not a word did she say;
She waited to see what Jim would do,
And wish'd he'd go his way.

"Not much! for Jim walk'd over to Sue,
And grabb'd her round the waist,
And then what should the rascal do,
But kiss her in hurry and haste!

"'An' now,' cried Jim, 'how will it do
Fur we uns, hereafter,
Ter fix up 'possum and taters fur two?'
Then Sue—but what does it matter—

"'Possum and taters for artful Jim,
Taters and 'possum for Sue,
'Possum and taters for her and him—
Taters and 'possum for two!"

"What does it matter"—Indeed! A very great deal. It "matters" just this much: If our friend, Reed, had written the story he would have made Sue "finish" Jim Head when "she had him down;" there would have been a tragedy then and there, if the author of "The Blot on the Brain" had had the handling of it! No, no! Wallace Reed, of Georgia, did not make that dash into dialect. It would have been going against his record to have done so. He is opposed to dialect on general principles. He is not, therefore, the author of "A Cracker Courtship, Rabun County, Georgia," in The Chicago Times-Herald of Saturday morning last. We repeat that he has either a namesake in Chicago or else Frank Pixley or Frank Putnam has "put up a job on him."

QUEER DISCOVERY OF THE CENSUS MEN.

That Atlanta is the most remarkable city in the universe for many reasons is a well-known fact, but it has remained for the census enumerators to discover during the past week one of the most remarkable facts on record.

There is not what is commonly known as an old maid in the city.

To be sure, there are many unmarried females, but they are without exception all so young that it would be a misnomer to apply that vulgar name to any of the young things.

It is hardly fair to dub any maiden lady an old maid until she has passed her twenty-fifth mile post in single harness. Then, as a rule, they may be given that name so odious to the fair sex only in one's thoughts or whispered confidences.

Occasionally one hears of some peculiar freak of femininity in some remote place who has reached that age of acknowledged old maidhood where they themselves refer to it, but such are rare and there are none in Atlanta.

The men getting the names for the new census have found hundreds of maiden ladies whose ages range from sweet sixteen up to two rare cases at the age of twenty-five.

There are a great many who give their ages at twenty-one and twenty-two, some at twenty-three, a few at twenty-four, and the two aforesaid rare cases who have had the nerve to record their single existences as having covered the long period of twenty-five lonely years. Little printed blanks are left at every house in the city with blank spaces for one's name, residence, age and birthplace. These are filled out by some member of the household and given to the man who calls for them a few days later. At one house the solicitor was asking the questions of an elderly looking lady with eye-glasses, who had given her age in as twenty-four. Supposing his informant to be the head of the household and reserving her own name until the last he made bold to inquire if she had any more children.

"Sir!" came the answer in thundering tones, "I am the young lady whose name you have just recorded."

A HOME IS OFFERED TO WILLIE CONNALLY.

A home has been found for Will Connally, the young country boy who so narrowly escaped being sent to the penitentiary a few days ago. It will be remembered that The Constitution printed the story of how he was arrested by the police for car breaking, confined for five days in the station house and finally brought before Justice Bloodworth and convicted.

An investigation by the officials of the road showed that nothing had been missed from the car, although it was loaded with many valuable articles. Upon consideration it was decided to dismiss the warrant. The friends of the boy who had been interested in his case then gave him sufficient money to sustain him for about two days and he was allowed to go.

Mr. Amos L. Griffith, of Pell City, Ala. saw the article in The Constitution and decided to offer the boy a home. His letter, which is reproduced below, explains itself:

"Pell City, Ala., December 10, 1896.—Editor Constitution: I see by today's Constitution that a boy by the name of Willie Connally is without a home. I will give him a home and send him to school, board and clothe him, if he will stay with me and get wood and kindle fires and do odd jobs about the place. I am sixty-six years old, cripple and need a good boy. I will do a good part by him if there is anything in him. I refer you to the postmaster at Pell City, Cornette & Hazelwood, merchants of Pell City, as to my character. If he can get passabes on cars to Pell City any one can find me for him, as I am there nearly every day. I live one-half mile from the depot.

""AMOS L. GRIFFITH."

That the home of the kind old gentleman who wrote that letter would be the proper place for William Connally there is little doubt. He is an orphan without anyone to look after him and Mr. Griffith is an old man without any one to do the work that has become too arduous for him. Connally would be a help to his foster father in his old age and Mr. Griffith would find in the young boy a willing helper and a dutiful son. Connally could not be found by his friends yesterday and it is not known where he is staying, but they are looking for him and are anxious for him to accept the offer of the gentleman in Pell City.

THE MESSAGE IN GEORGIA.

McDuffie Journal: When the Wilson tariff bill was passed by a democratic congress, Mr. Cleveland refused to sign it, and denounced it as perfidous. Now, in his luminous message, he extols it to the skies as a wise and patriotic measure. Our ponderous president also devotes ample space in his message to congratulating the American people upon the election of a republican president. Grover has turned out to be all sorts of a democrat.

Quitman Free Press: We regret that the credit and glory of the settlement of the Cuban question may be enjoyed by the republican party. Mr. Cleveland reiterates his well-known views in regard to financial affairs which are opposed to the views of the democratic party, but are acceptable to the republican or capitalist party.

Cordele Sentinel: He proceeds to congratulate the people that the single gold standard has been fixed upon them and advises that the greenbacks be retired and bonds issued in the place of them.

Augusta Chronicle: No doubt the position of the president in his message to congress on the Cuban war is approved by the conservative public sentiment of the United States.

GEORGIA AND CUBA.

Augusta Chronicle: Our sympathies are with the Cuban patriots who are engaged in a struggle for the right to govern their own country. It is history repeating itself on the American continent. The war of the Cubans against Spain is like the war of the American colonists against Great Britain. It is a contest for liberty and independence. If unsuccessful, the Cubans will be treated as rebels by Spain. The leaders will render themselves liable to be shot or hung as traitors. But whether successful or unsuccessful, the people of Cuba, fighting for self-government, must be considered as patriots as the American forefathers who fought for independence and established the government of the United States.

Milledgeville Chronicle: Oppression and injustice may reign for centuries, but there is a time when the hand of justice takes hold and delivers a people from infamous rule. It has been hard for Cuba to free herself, but when the time for her liberty arrives it will be secured with very little trouble. There is a time for all things and nothing can be accomplished until the time arrives for such a thing to take place, then it is done as easily as falling off a log.

Swainsboro News: Cleveland knows that Spain would not fight the United States even if we were to recognize the Cubans as a boligerent power.

Danielsville Monitor: Should Weyler halt his army to read the president's message, the Cubans will have time to capture Havana.

McKinley's Turn Now.

From The Augusta Herald.

"President" Cleveland will not go duck hunting many more times.

A Leading Question.

From The Franklin News.

What excuse will the republicans make for the unusually large numbers of big failures that have occurred since McKinley's election? If democracy had triumphed their reasons would be forthcoming very promptly.

TALES OF THE TOWN

Three young men were standing in front of Silverman's, on Peachtree street, a few days ago. One was a lawyer, one a newspaper man and the third was an Irishman by descent.

"I know a good story on the swellest and warmest fowl in this part of the territory," said the lawyer. "He's a sport from his heart, parts his hair in the middle and is devilish fine, doncherknow. He's got a rig that's just out o' sight. It's a closed affair and is well arranged to suit the owner's convenience. On the inside is a little button by which he can communicate with the driver. There is a regular code of signals. When the button is pressed once, that means to drive fast. Twice means moderately and three times means very slow indeed. These signals were always obeyed by the driver with satisfactory precision, except once.



"This swell of the town was unusually choice about the girls he went with. In fact he only associated with the latest and most popular of the debutantes.

"It was his custom, whenever he attended any kind of entertainment, to leave the very last and sometimes his rig would be seen to move at about a snail's pace. Everybody knew this little peculiarity of his—at least the boys did—but nothing particularly was thought of it. The whys and wherefores of his leaving late and driving slow—of course it is understood that he was always taking a girl home at this time—can more easily be imagined than explained. It is more than likely that the conversation was interesting and the company pleasant.

"One night a short while back this same swell was taking a girl home from a ball. True to his custom, he left late. It was raining furiously without, but in the rig things were comfortable. The young man with the true instincts of the sport appreciated the situation and pressed the button thrice. The driver was a new one and hadn't caught on fully to the signals, so he clucked up the horses into a trot. The swell pressed thrice again and the team moved faster still. Again the button was pressed and the rig tore down the street at a regular Chief Joyner pace. The youth was mad with much anger. He completely lost control of himself. He threw open the door, stuck his head out and while the rain beat wet on his noble brow, he yelled out to the driver, 'Why in the devil don't you go slow? The girl almost screamed. It was awful. To think that so elegant a young man could act in so inelegant a style. The whole thing was a dead give away. The sport's plans were disturbed and he was hopelessly queered."

There was a hearty laugh over the story and the newspaper man asked, "Did that actually happen?" "Yes!" replied the lawyer, "it actually happened, and not long ago either. The swell is well known around town. I could call his name, but I don't care to expose him. He's had enough already."

The Irishman then said, "Boys, I've got an engagement and will have to leave in five minutes, but I am going to spin off a couple of yarns without stopping, so don't interrupt me until I've finished.

"An Irishman, having heard much of this wonderful country, decided to come over. He reached New York late one afternoon and had just got on terra firma when the reverberating boom of a cannon fell upon his ear.

"'Phwat's that?' he asked of the man next to him.

"'That's the sunset,' was the reply.

"'That's the sunset, is it? Well Oi'll be domned if she don't go down with a hell of a crash in this counthry.'

"Two Irishmen were riding past a gallows on which a murderer had just been hanged, when one of them said, 'Pat, if that gallows hed its own, whaur would yez be now?'

"'Oi'd be riding by myself, begorra,' was the reply.

"Well, I've got to keep that engagement. So long." And the Irish joker was gone. The other two thereupon left also.



GEORGIA AND MACEO.

Augusta Herald: Maceo was not only a great general, but he seems to have been remarkably free from every vice which is almost invariably associated with a soldier. He neither drank nor used tobacco and it is declared that no man ever heard him use an oath, even under the most exasperating circumstances. The Black Bayard, who certainly was without fear, and apparently without reproach, will not be forgotten when the history of the century is written.

Sylvania Telephone: For the seventh time during the war the news comes from Cuba that General Maceo has been killed. It may be true or it may not be. If it is, it is a severe blow to the Cuban cause, but the fight for liberty will go on. Maceo is undoubtedly a great military leader, and his death would cause regret all over the world.

Brunswick Times-Advertiser: "The Death of Maceo, in Seven Acts; the Hero Dies in Each Act." This may be an announcement on the playbills of the future.

To Mark Hanna.

From The Cedartown Standard.

Of all the "Men of Mark" these days,
From Penobscot to Savannah,
The greatest and the "ouliest"
Is the great and only Hanna.

THE LEGISLATURE AND THE STATE PRESS.

This afternoon the senate committee on appropriations will begin the consideration of the general appropriation bill. This means that for several days, and perhaps the entire week, the eyes of many people will be turned toward the senate and that its action in this all-important matter will be watched with deep interest. The appropriation question has not been discussed to any extent by the senators among themselves and nobody seems to know how the individual members feel toward the different items which were fought over in the house. There seems to be a good deal of opposition on the part of some senators to the $400,000 increase to the public school fund. The men who have expressed opinions on that line have said they were the most earnest friends of the schools, but their idea is that the increase would really be more effective if it come gradually. However, many senators take the broad ground that nothing is too good for the common schools and argue that the senate should vote any amount necessary to make them fully effective. There is a difference of opinion; but how the two sides will line up numerically it is impossible to say. There is a strong sentiment favorable to the technological school, the university and the military, and it seems probable that these items will remain as the house left them.

There is still one political contest to be decided. The formal election of Hon. T. A. Littlejohn to the judgeship of the Southwestern circuit will come some day this week, but that doesn't count. The contest referred to is that for Clay county's seat in the house.

The case will come up on Tuesday with a majority report in favor of Mr. Foster, the sitting member, but the majority report is a good deal of an anomaly from the fact that a majority of the committee have signed the minority report, which is in favor of Mr. Killingsworth, the democrat.

Chairman Burwell, of the privileges and elections committee, will support the minority report. He believes that there is a grave doubt for whom the majority of the legal votes were cast, and as it is a very close indeed, he believes in giving the democrat the benefit of the doubt.

There are two sides to this case—no doubt of it; and the result of its consideration will be a pretty fight before the house.

The newspapers of the state keep a close watch on the work of the legislature and comment on it freely. The talk in favor of changes in the election laws has been general, but it is certain that nothing can be done on this line at this session. Indeed, it is not necessary. The way will, however, be paved for legislation on this line at the next session, which will be in ample time.

A matter which seems to be slipping in the background is the convict lease question. True, the house penitentiary committee has reported favorably the resolution providing for a joint committee to study the question, but there is said to be a good deal of opposition to this. So far as appears on the surface, this opposition is based upon the idea that such investigation may cost several hundred dollars. Senator Battle, who is, it may be said with all propriety here, one of the ablest and broadest members of the general assembly, is a strong believer in the necessity of such a committee or commission. "It is highly important that the legislature and the people of the state know the facts about the workings of different systems," said he, in talking on this subject. "We are almost a unit in condemning some features of the present system, but talk with a dozen members of the legislature and you will find they have widely different views as to the proper remedy. The expenditure of a few dollars in investigation may save hundreds of thousands of dollars eventually. There is no question more important to the state."

The Savannah News, in a recent editorial has this on the convict question:

"The legislature has as yet done nothing toward settling the question of what is to be done with the convicts when the leases expire. The question must be answered. It would be folly to leave it to be answered at the last moment. The wiser plan is to take it up in time so that it may be answered in a way that will give general satisfaction. The state cannot afford to make a mistake. A mistake would be costly and would be productive of a lot of evils."

In an editorial on "The School Bill" the Cleveland Courier says:

"The people are paying an enormous local tax to detect, capture, convict and support the criminals of the county. Would it not be better to pay a tax to save our children from becoming criminals? Is it cheaper to save a boy and make an intelligent and useful member of society, than it is to allow him to go to the bad and pay for the expenses, to which he subjects the county as a criminal. To save all of the children is the highest and holiest duty of the state. We should either go forward and perfect the public school system of Georgia, or retire altogether, and leave the question of education entirely to the parents of the children. We cannot go backward and therefore we must go forward."

The Macon Evening News pays a deserved tribute to Hon. John T. Boifeuillet when it says:

"One of the stanchest friends of education in the general assembly is Hon. John T. Boifeuillet, of Bibb. Mr. Boifeuillet has always fought for the very largest appropriations consistent with good business judgment, and his efforts have more than once helped to save the educational institutions of this state from starvation, as it were. Mr. Boifeuillt was one of the leaders in the fight for more liberal treatment of the schools."

The Oconee Enterprise says of the reformatory measure:

"It looks like real philanthropy. It is the best bill that could have been introduced into our legislature, and it should go through without any parleying. However, an amendment might be made to the original bill, to the effect that the bill should include all criminals without regard to age. Our present system of convict leasing is barbarous, and it is hoped that this bill will solve the problem."

The Franklin News says of Representative Whitaker:

"Hon. D. B. Whitaker is rendering himself quite popular as a member of the Georgia legislature. Last week he was called to the speaker's chair and presided over the house during a half day's session with much ease and regularity as one of experience. He has also recently been appointed on two other committees."

"The convict question should be taken up and disposed of by the Georgia legislature," says The Augusta Chronicle, "in accordance with the laws of God and enlightened humanity."

A Song.

All things that life can bring
Bring I to thee,
All songs that love can sing
Sing I to thee.

All joy that shall not cease,
Love, thou shalt see;
All love and perfect peace
Shower I on thee.

The best this world can give
Is at thy feet;
Dear, it is naught to give—
Not half complete.

With life I give my breath,
Surely for thee,
And when 'tis time for death,
I die for thee!

—C. J. A. [illegible]

Dawson, Ga.

TOM DELK HANGS AT NOON FRIDAY

No Hope Is Now Left to the Youthful Lawbreaker.

HIS DOOM IS CERTAIN

No Recourse of Law Which Affords the Slightest Hope.

HIS FATHER IS STILL HOPEFUL, HOWEVER

Believes That Something Will Intervene To Save Tom from the Gallows.

Tom Delk will hang at Zebulon next Friday beyond any shadow of doubt.

There seems to be not the slighest recourse for this doomed young man and unless a miracle of fate is worked in his behalf he will go to the gallows just as the holidays are being ushered in.

Colonel W. C. Glenn, who is the attorney for Taylor Delk, and who is making a strong effort to save the old man's life, said yesterday that Tom Delk would hang.

"Tom Delk will hang Friday," said he, "There is no earthly hope for him to escape it. There is no reason in law by which he can escape and unless the Governor shows him executive clemency, he is doomed. Executive clemency is something beyond the domain of law and cannot be reckoned about, but as I understand it, no movement to have the governor interfere has been started and if there should be it does not seem that it would gain such strength as to amount to anything.

"As to what Taylor Delk says about appealing the case to the United States supreme court, there is no ground for that—not the slightest. There is no hope in that direction and what Taylor said in his interview today I want to unsay."

Preparations for Delk's execution are going ahead at Zebulon and no interference with the mandate of the court, either by a new trial or executive clemency, is expected. Delk is reported to be in gloomy spirits, feeling sure that his doom is sealed.

Old Taylor Delk, here in the Atlanta jail, with the sentence of death hanging over him, has not lost hope for his son. He will not cease to believe that some process of law will intervene and save Tom from the gallows. The devotion which the old man has for his wild and wicked son is pathetically touching. He seems to be giving more attention to the plight of Tom than to his own case, the doom of his son being the more imminent. He talks almost constantly of saving Tom and has fine hopes that it will be done. But his hopes are stronger than those of his attorneys.

A vigorous fight will be made to get a new trial for old Taylor Delk. Several grounds will be urged, and the most important of these is now first published. Last Tuesday morning, the morning after the mob gathered in Zebulon to lynch old Taylor Delk, his attorneys made a motion before Judge Marcus Beck for a change of venue. They held that the manifestation of hostility and threatened violence rendered it not only impossible for the prisoner to get justice in Pike county, but actually endangered the life of the defendant during the progress of the trial.

This motion was overruled by Judge Beck and the trial proceeded. It will be strongly urged in the motion for a new trial, which was immediately entered by Delk's attorneys, that there was grave danger of Delk's meeting death at the hands of a mob; that Delk had to be secretly carried from the jail under guard and hidden away in the woods to prevent the mob from taking him from the jail; that Judge Beck himself took up a Winchester and went to the jail, where he remained until after midnight, to meet and disperse the mob, and that with feeling so inflamed against the defendant, as is shown by this manifestation, that it was impossible for a fair and unprejudiced trial to be obtained. Other grounds for a new trial will be urged and the attorneys have every hope of getting one. They say if a new trial is granted Delk they will ask for a change of venue and will clear the old defendant. They say the evidence against him is insubstantial, flimsy and for the most part unworthy of belief.

But while they are making a fight for old Taylor Delk, things look gloomy for Tom. The gallows is being made ready for him Friday and there is not one ray of hope that his life may be prolonged and that he will be given another chance for his neck.

Tom Delk's execution will remove a most remarkable character from the criminal ranks of the state. He is a notable type of criminal. He lived during the greater part of his life in Atlanta. Atlantians will remember the arrest of the noted Delk gang, which was accomplished by the local detective department in 1893. The gang was composed of young boys of this city, averaging about nineteen years of age. Tom Delk was the leader. His first lieutenant was John Moore, a young white man whose wife became notorious in police circles.

Many burglaries were traced to the doors of the Delk gang and the case was well worked up by Detectives Barrett, Looney, Cason and Bedford. Most of the members of the gang were convicted and Moore and Delk escaped from the Dade coal mines, after being there about a year. About the time of their escape a younger brother of Tom Delk's killed a negro in the Atlanta jail. Both were prisoners at the jail and had a quarrel. Delk stabbed the negro in the neck, killing him almost instantly.

Tom Delk remained in hiding at his father's house in Pike county for many weeks after escaping from the penitentiary and was in hiding there on the night of April 2d last, when Sheriff Guinn and his posse called at the house to arrest Taylor Delk. The Delks refused to let the sheriff and his posse in the house. He walked to the window of the house and had a conversation with Tom Delk, during which he was informed that he could not enter the house. As he started to walk back to confer with his posse he was shot down by some one inside the house. Who fired the shot will never be known. Tom Delk declares that Tom Langford, who was in the house at the time, but who has never been captured, fired the shot. Old Taylor Delk claims that he was not in the house at the time the shooting was done, and upon his ability to prove this fact his neck will depend, providing he is fortunate enough to get another trial. Delk's lawyers claim they have strong evidence going to prove an alibi.

MR. J. M. ARROWOOD HURT.

Caught by the Belt in His Sawmill Saturday.

An accident, which might have resulted more seriously than it did, occurred Saturday morning at Tampa, which is situated on the Collins Park and Belt railroad. Mr. J. M. Arrowood is a citizen of that place and is the owner and operator of a sawmill and gin, which is just on the outskirts of the town.

Saturday morning he was in his mill as usual and had just commenced to overlook the machinery of the mill when he was caught by the belt which turns one of the wheels and badly hurt. The belt was fortunately loose on the wheel, and when Mr. Arrowood was caught by it it slipped from the wheel. Had not this occurred it is probable that the gentleman would have been either killed or seriously injured. As it was he received several bad bruises and was knocked insensible. He is now confined to his bed and the physicians announce that it will be several weeks before he will be able to resume his business.

WILL HANSON GET IT?

Macon Man's Chances for the Cabinet Are Said To Be Good.

COLONEL BUCK IS AT WORK

He and Pledger Are Still in Washington in Behalf of Major Hanson.

MANY GOVERNMENT CHANGES ARE EXPECTED

Numerous Petitions Are Being Circulated on Behalf of Georgia Republican Candidates.

Colonel A. E. Buck, who has been in Washington several days in consultation with Mark Hanna and other leading republicans, will probably return home today. He may not reach Atlanta for several days, however, as his conference with republican leaders has been protracted longer than he thought when he left the city last week.

When Colonel Buck made his first visit to Washington after McKinley's election, it was said that he was one of the cabinet possibilities, and this rumor gained strength until Colonel Buck returned, denying the story and stating positively that he was not desirous of the appointment.

The object of Colonel Buck's second trip was made known before he left Atlanta, and he is now in Washington in the interest of Major J. F. Hanson, of Macon. With Colonel Buck is W. A. Pledger, the well-known negro republican leader, and it is said both are putting forth every effort to have Major Hanson made a member of President McKinley's cabinet. With what success these workers have met is not known, but it is thought that Major Hanson's chances for a portfolio are very good indeed, and that he will be the man from the south who will receive the highest political honors in the gift of the party under the new administration.

As soon as the result of the presidential election was known, the friends of Colonel Buck were unanimous in urging his appointment to a cabinet chair by President-elect McKinley. From all portions of the state were letters and petitions, signed by leading men of the republican party, asking that Colonel Buck, who was the leader of the party in this state, be recognized and given a chair in the cabinet. But there came a change when Colonel Buck denied that he had any ambitions for cabinet honors, and the sentiment throughout the state turned toward Major Hanson, of Macon. Colonel Buck has since been leaning his efforts in this direction and the indications are now said to point to Major Hanson.

Pledger went to Washington with Colonel Buck for the purpose of urging that Major Hanson be appointed. He went in person, it is said, to show that the appointment of Major Hanson would be acceptable to all factions of the republican party in the state. Major Hanson has been an active worker in state politics and his appointment is now regarded as certain, provided a Georgia man is taken. In fact, he is the only Georgian of the republican party whose appointment is being urged.

The republicans of Georgia claim that the state is entitled to a portfolio, as some of the hardest work in the southern states was accomplished in Georgia. They say that heretofore the state has been democratic by overwhelming majorities, but that the situation has since changed, intimating that with the appointment of a Georgian to the cabinet and other courtesies shown members of the state party, the state could hereafter be placed in the doubtful column, with possibilities of a republican majority.

The dangerous opposition that comes to Major Hanson's appointment is from the friends of H. Clay Evans, of Tennessee. Mr. Evans has been a faithful ally of the republican party for years, and his work has counted in every election. He has been an exceedingly clever party leader and his friends are working day and night for his appointment to a cabinet position. It is said that it is reasonably sure that the honor will fall to either Hanson or Evans. The friends of the Georgian claim it is coming their way, and the Tennesseean's friends say the same thing.

Much interest is being manifested in the appointments that are to be made under the new administration to the government offices that are to become vacant. Postmasters galore are to be appointed. There are a number of government offices in Atlanta to be filled and for each appointment there are said to be a score of aspirants. In the Atlanta custom house alone are many valuable plums which are being eagerly sought after by those who claim they are entitled to them.

The candidates are awake and are in the field. Petitions innumerable have been circulated and signed and are on file in Washington. Many workers have already left for Washington and many changes are expected under McKinley's administration.

SIEVEKING AND POWELL.

The Second Metropolitan Concert Greater Than the First.

The array of artists engaged for the second metropolitan concert, at the Grand Thursday night, is the strongest that could possibly be brought together, and the management claims that this concert will far surpass the first in artistic excellence. To bring together three such artists as Sieveking, Powell and Miner, not to mention Xanten, diBossini and Friedberger, requires a great expenditure of money, and while the cost of the organization is far beyond that of the Nordica-Linde Company, the great success of the metropolitan series enables the projectors to engage these world-famed artists with safety.

It is doubtful if there has ever been a series of concerts arranged in this country outside of New York and Boston that can show such an array of great artists as are being placed before the subscribers and patrons of the metropolitan series.

At every point the Sieveking-Powell company has appeared the opera houses have been packed to the doors, and the critics have freely said the company surpasses the first one, and those who heard the Nordica-Linde company can well understand the excellence the company must attain.

Besides the playing of Herr Sieveking and Miss Powell, the company will present a trio of singers that will equal the trio in the first company. This trio, composed of Miss Miner, soprano; Mr. Xanten, tenor, and Chevalier diBossini, will sing the grand trio from the last act of "Faust," and this will undoubtedly stir the audience to great enthusiasm.

Miss Miner is meeting with the warmest reception wherever she sings. Mr. Joseph L. Maclean, of the Agnus Scott institute, heard Miss Miner sing in New York last summer, and he speaks in the highest praise of her beautiful voice. She is a young singer, and a very beautiful woman.

Mr. Xanten, the tenor of the company, begins an engagement with the Damrosch Opera Company on the 28th of the present month, and Mr. Damrosch looks to him as one of the coming great tenors, and his success on the present tour indicates that Mr. Xanten will not disappoint the expectations.

Chevalier diBossini has a voice that is rich and powerful, and there are few artists today who can compare to him. He created the part of Don Jose in Bizet's opera, of "Carmen" in Italy.

The audiences that have greeted the company on the present tour are equal in size and enthusiasm to those that greeted the Nordica-Linde company, and are characterized by the same fashionable and exclusive element.

BUSY WEEK AHEAD

Only Six More Days of Work Left for the Legislature.

WILL ADJOURN ON SATURDAY

Bills Requiring Three Readings Will Not Be Introduced After Today.

MANY BILLS ARE PENDING IN THE SENATE

After a Session of Forty-Nine Days the Members Will Go Home To Enjoy Christmas.

After forty-nine days of hard work the Georgia legislature will adjourn next Saturday and the members will return to their homes to eat Christmas dinners with their families and think of the work that has been accomplished during the session and the bills that were passed and the laws that were made.

The full number of fifty days will not be served at this session, and each member of the assembly will lose $4 on account of the early adjournment. At the close of Saturday's session Speaker Jenkins appointed Messrs. Meldrim, Slaton, Boynton of Chatham, Dodson and Charters as a committee to investigate and report as to the time the body would adjourn. This committee will make its report this morning in the house, and, it is said, will recommend that the last day of the session be next Saturday.

This week will be the busiest of the session, and the law makers will get down to hard work for the next six days. Local and special bills will have the right of way, and no bills that will require three readings can be introduced after today.

The prospect for important general legislation during the remainder of the session is said to be slim, matters of a general interest as a rule going over till the next session.

Many bills of importance have been acted upon in the house. Among these are the general appropriation bill setting aside $2,838,000 for the support and maintenance of the state government and the several public institutions during the next two years; the general tax bill, carrying an increase of 1.65 mills over this year on account of increased appropriations, indigent pensions, widows' pensions, lunatic asylums and other appropriations. The tax rate for 1896 is 4.56, while the rate for 1897 will be 6.21. These two bills are now in the senate and must be disposed of this week. The house has also passed the woman's librarian bill, which has passed the senate and will become a law as soon as the governor signs it. A number of other bills of a general nature have passed the house and are still pending in the senate.

The work of the senate has been transacted with a dispatch seldom seen. The bill to make judges and solicitors elective by the people was defeated, while the anti-barroom bills go over until the next session of the legislature in 1897. Appropriation and tax bills will be considered in the senate today and for the remainder of the week, while the charges brought by Hon. Yancey Carter are still pending in the senate.

Both the senate and the house will hurry through with its work from now on until Saturday, in order to accomplish as much as possible during the present session. Many of the members will begin leaving the city Saturday evening, and by the following Monday nearly, if not quite, all of them will have left.

DR. GRAVES'S FIRST SERMON

PREACHED FOR THE FIRST TIME AT FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN.

He May Be Called To the Pastorate of That Church—Will Serve It for Three Months.

Rev. Mr. Graves delivered his first sermon as pastor to the Fourth Presbyterian church yesterday morning. A large congregation was present and they listened with deep interest to the words of the minister. He is a man of fine address and his new charge was very much impressed with his earnestness and zeal.

Rev. Graves is not as yet the regular pastor of the Fourth Presbyterian church, but has been engaged for a three months' supply by the session of that church. In other words, the session, which is composed of the board of elders, has engaged him to fill the pulpit of the church for three months, provided that the congregation does not in the mean time call a regular pastor.

But from the manner in which his sermon was received yesterday it is probable that the church will end by calling Rev. Mr. Graves himself. He has been in charge of the First Presbyterian church of Tampa, Fla., for the past two years and he was well liked there. He resigned the charge about two months or six weeks ago, however, as he thought that his work at that place had been finished.

He moved to this city and was asked to deliver a sermon for the Fourth Presbyterian church, which he readily did. The session was so pleased with him that they decided to engage him for a three months' supply and he accepted last Wednesday night. The Fourth Presbyterian church has been without a pastor since the 1st of last July, at which time the resignation of the former pastor, Rev. T. P. Cleveland, went into effect. Since that time the church has been without a head and it has felt the need of one. The congregation, however, as well as the board of deacons and elders, thought that it was best not to be in a hurry about selecting a new pastor, and this accounts for the delay which has occurred.

CHEAP EXCURSIONS BRYAN DAY

Some of the Roads Are Advertising Low Rates for December 23d.

One fare for the round trip will be given by some of the roads on Bryan day and one of them, the Atlanta and West Point, will run an excursion into Atlanta at even a less rate. The people along the line of the Atlanta and West Point are enthusiastic over the prospect of an excursion, the fare on which may not exceed $1 even from West Point.

A number of Atlanta merchants are talking of presenting a petition to the rate committee of the passenger association which meets in the Equitable tomorrow, asking for a low rate on all the roads. These merchants propose to make special bargains for Bryan day and visitors can thus kill two birds with one stone.

Advertising matter will be distributed by a number of roads this week in the towns within 100 miles of Atlanta. Mr. Bryan's visit to Atlanta is creating great interest throughout the state and it looks now as though there would be a large movement of people here if popular rates are given.

Mr. Bryan has telegraphed to Mr. W. J. Mallard, Jr., president of the Young Men's Democratic League, stating that he would arrive in Atlanta on Tuesday night, December 22d. At noon on Wednesday the league will tender Mr. Bryan an informal luncheon. The affair, however, will not be restricted to the league membership and those who wish to attend are invited to call on or communicate with President Mallard at the Equitable. The luncheon will be notable as many of the state's most prominent men will be there.

MAY GET HIS LIBERTY

Lord Beresford's Application Now on File at the Governor's Office.

RESUME OF THE CASE

How It Was Stubbornly Contested Until the End.

HIS WIFE HAS BEEN DIVORED FROM HIM

She Stood by Him in His Adversity, but Evil Reports Concerning Him Caused Her To Desert Him.

It is probable that within the course of the next few weeks the governor will grant a hearing of the application for the pardon of W. S. Beresford, who is now in the penitentiary serving a sentence of six years. The application is a strong one and has on the petition, which is attached to it, the names of many of the prominent gentlemen and officials of the state.

Although the crime for which "my lord," as he is generally called, was committed more than seven years ago, it is still fresh in the minds of the public, and the trial was one of the most stubbornly fought and most interesting that has ever occurred in this state. It will be remembered that Beresford suddenly dropped into Rome, Ga., where he was well received and made much of. He said that he was an English nobleman and had quite a sum of money to his credit in the Westminster bank, of London.

Beresford says that he is not now and never claimed to be a lord, but whether he is or not it is certain that the name has clung to him through all of his troubles, and he is now known as Lord Beresford.

Among the people with whom he became acquainted in Rome was the family of Hamiltons, one of the most influential families in the state. The Hamiltons were engaged in the banking business. After becoming thoroughly grafted into the good graces of the Hamiltons, Beresford induced them to cash a draft on the Westminster bank for 4200. They did so and about the same time Beresford was called on important business to New York. When the draft was returned to the bankers marked "no funds" a detective was put on the case and he succeeded in locating Lord Beresford in New York city, at which place he was arrested.

The question was then raised as to whether or not Beresford could be brought back to Georgia on such a charge. The supreme court of New York decided that he could, after the question had been fought through many courts, and my lord was brought back to the scene of his transgression. It was at this point that Mr. Walter Vandiver, of Rome; Hon. Linton A. Dean, also of Rome, and Hon. W. C. Glenn, of Atlanta, took charge of the case.

Beresford had been extradited for forgery, but when he reached this state he was prosecuted and convicted for cheating and swindling. His counsel then made the point that he could not be extradited for one offense and prosecuted for another, and they accordingly took out a writ of error, which was overruled. After fighting the case in every way imaginable and taking advantage of every loophole that the law afforded, Beresford was finally convicted and sentenced for a term of six years at hard labor in the penitentiary.

When Beresford left Georgia and went to New York he made the acquaintance of Miss Maude Lilienthal, a young lady of that city, and who was an heiress with no small fortune. When Beresford was brought back to this state the good wishes of his wife came with him, and it was her money that enabled him to fight the charges that had been brought against him.

After he had been convicted much influence was brought to bear on his faithful wife to make her secure a divorce, but she would not consent to such a thing. However, when Beresford escaped from the penitentiary about two years ago, and the report went abroad that he had been recaptured while in a house of ill fame, although this latter charge is denied by Beresford, his wife, who until this time had stood faithfully by him, consented to apply for a divorce, which was granted shortly afterwards.

About a year ago an application for pardon was argued before the governor by Hon. W. C. Glenn, Colonel Hamilton appearing for the other side, but the governor refused to grant it. Some time ago he was asked to reopen the case, which he did, but no day has yet been set for the hearing. In the meantime petitions for pardon have been circulated over the state and they have been liberally signed.

The governor is not certain when he will hear the arguments of the counsel, but it will not be until the adjournment of the legislature.

GOSSIP OF SOCIETY.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Callaway spent yesterday in Columbus.

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Miss Caroline Johnson will shortly visit Miss Fontaine, in Columbus.

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Mrs. Spartan Goodlett, who has been visiting her father, Dr. Gwin, leaves this week for her home at Greer, S. C.

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Mrs. W. N. Mitchell returned to Atlanta yesterday after a ten days' visit to Washington.

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The interesting little grandchildren of Mrs. G. J. Foreacre, Ella and John Foreacre, who have been visiting her, have returned to their home in Monticello, Ga.

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At the residence of Mr. Charles Lemke, on Auburn avenue, last Thursday evening, Misses Theresa and Bertha Lemke entertained a number of their friends. Delightful refreshments were served.

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Miss Annie Grace Mixon, of Decatur, entertained a small party of friends on Friday evening at her new and pretty home, in honor of Misses Eva Bomar and Flora Carr, of Covington, Ga. Those who enjoyed Miss Mixon's happy entertainment were: Misses McClelland, Gilmore, Goss, Bomar, Carr, Meriwether; Messrs. John M. White, Charles B. Rosser, Jr., Gilmore, Graham, Emery, Reaves and Cartledge.

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The regular meeting of the Atlanta Kindergarten Association will be held at the residence of Mrs. Hugh T. Inman this morning.

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Mr. James Lavin, of Savannah, a pension examiner of the interior department, passed through Atlanta last night on his way from Kansas to Jacksonville.

Holiday Novelties.

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MANY IN THE RACE

Miss Dortch Has Strong Opposition for the Chair of State Librarian.

HER FRIENDS ARE CONFIDENT

Douglas Glessner, Phil Byrd, John Revill and Others Are in the Field as Candidates.

The passage of the bill before the legislature making it possible for the office of state librarian to be held by a woman has added a keen interest to the race that is being made for that position by a number of candidates.

Captain Milledge, the present state librarian, is a candidate for re-election, and his friends are urging the governor to make him his own successor, claiming that he has been in the office long enough to become familiar with its workings and is perhaps better fitted for the position than he would otherwise be on account of his familiarity with the details of the office.

Among those who have been announced as being candidates for the position is Mr. Douglas Glessner, editor of The Griffin Daily News, who has been a warm supporter of Governor Atkinson and has been of great service in both gubernatorial campaigns. The prominent position in state politics which is held by Mr. Glessner and his services to the state democratic committee has encouraged his friends to believe that he is leading in the race which has as yet been just begun.

Mr. Phil Byrd, of Rome, the well-known newspaper man, is said to be in the race, aided by a large following of influential friends, who are backing him in his claims to the office of state librarian. Although the race will not be decided until next September, the friends of Mr. Byrd are very sanguine and say that the mantle of Captain Milledge will fall upon his shoulders.

Editor W. T. Revill, of Meriwether county, is also aspiring to the chair now occupied by Captain Milledge, and he, too, has many friends who predict for him an easy victory. Colonel Revill, as well as the other candidates in this race, is prominent in state political circles, and has been of great service to the democratic party in the state.

In addition to these, of course, Miss Dortch, the present assistant state librarian, is a candidate for Captain Milledge's position. It was not until Miss Dortch was appointed assistant librarian that the eligibility of a woman to the office of state librarian was thought of, and she had held the position of assistant to the state librarian some time before the question which was settled by the passage of the recent bill was agitated. Miss Dortch, since her appointment as assistant to Captain Milledge, has made many friends in political circles, and her friends say her appointment will be the solution to the matter.

Miss Dortch's friends say she deserves the position on account of her faithful service in the office she now holds and from the fact that the recent bill was passed for the purpose of making her advancement possible. She has a host of friends who are urging her candidacy and strong pressure is being brought to bear upon the governor in her behalf.

In addition to the candidates who have been announced, it is said there are many other possibilities who have not been brought out by their friends as yet, and as the months of the new year slip by there will be others, no doubt, who will aspire to the position.

The selection of Captain Milledge's successor is within the jurisdiction of the governor and the appointment will be made next summer for the period of four years. Captain Milledge was not appointed by Governor Atkinson, but was appointed by Governor Northen.

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The wholesale men and jobbers, together with all business enterprises, are taking a great interest in the book and are exerting their efforts toward making it a success.

The book will be of no little value to the state, since it shows off her resources in grand style. All the large business houses will be shown by half-tone cuts and a description of their business given.

All the points of interest throughout the state will be shown with a complete history of the place. Every city in the state will be represented in the book. A history of the large cities, with photographs of them, will be given.

The history when published will be the most complete commercial history of Georgia ever put out. It will be scattered broadcast over the United States, especially in the northeast and west. Persons seeking homes in Georgia will thereby be given a chance to see what the resources of Georgia are before moving here. This is the principal object of the book and the good results of it will be seen.

A copy of the book will be placed in every hotel in Georgia and will greatly aid persons traveling through the state by showing them the most interesting points to visit and telling them something of the state through which they are passing.

It is expected that the book will be received from the printer shortly before the annual convention of the Travelers' Protective Association, which meets here early next spring.

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ROME ELECTRIC CO. CASE UP.

Counsel for Plaintiff Consents to the Payment of Interest.

Judge Newman issued an important order Saturday in the case of the American Security and Trust Company against the Rome Electric Light Company and J. King.

The counsel for the plaintiff consented for the payment of $1,100 interest at once without incurring any debt against the company or without changing the present condition of the affairs of the company and upon the resignation of J. King as manager and the sale of his stock to his brother, S. S. King, and the transfer of the contract made by J. King with Arnold Broyles, as manager of the Rome Gaslight Company, upon the performance of which the property is then to be placed in the management of the company.

The payment of the interest was without prejudice as to the questions raised by the plaintiff's attorneys as to any default in the payment of the interest.

The bill as originally brought still stands for further disposition by the court upon foreclosure of mortgage. The order passed had reference simply to the appointment of receiver pending the litigation.

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Men's Coats—25 Per Cent Off.

Men's $10.00 Overcoats are now	$7.50
Men's $12.00 Overcoats are now	$9.00
Men's $15.00 Overcoats are now	$11.50
Men's $18.00 Overcoats are now	$13.50
Men's $20.00 Overcoats are now	$15.00
Men's $25.00 Overcoats are now	$18.75
Men's $30.00 Overcoats are now	$22.50
Men's $35.00 Overcoats are now	$26.25

Boys' Clothes—25 Per Cent Off.

Boys' $3.00 Suits and Overcoats are now	$2.25
Boys' $4.00 Suits and Overcoats are now	$3.00
Boys' $5.00 Suits and Overcoats are now	$3.75
Boys' $6.00 Suits and Overcoats are now	$5.50
Boys' $7.50 Suits and Overcoats are now	$5.63
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"CURSE OF DRINK"

Dr. J. W. Roberts Discusses Temperance at Trinity Yesterday.

HIS VIEWS ON PROHIBITION

Gives Some Figures as to the Ruin Wrought by Rum.

DRAWS SOME PRACTICAL ILLUSTRATIONS

He Touches Upon Arguments That Have Been Advanced Against Prohibition.

At Trinity church yesterday morning Dr. J. W. Roberts preached a strong sermon on "Temperance." He was greeted by a large congregation and he dwelt upon the practical side of the question.

He said in part:

"I wish to speak this morning in the interest of that growing sentiment in Georgia and throughout the civilized world which for some time past has been seeking in our state legislature to crystalize itself into law, and which will continue to demand the attention of the legislature until satisfactory enactment is obtained. To defer action on the subject from session to session does not destroy the sentiment. It only intensifies it. I allude to the sentiment in favor of the better regulation and, if possible, the total prohibition of the most diabolical traffic that ever ministered to the baser than beastly appetites, and to the lower than hellish greed of strangely constituted, but immortal man. I need not name this traffic. Every one who hears me knows that there is but one traffic in all the world to which such epithets are applicable. In comparison with it, the slave trade, wherever practiced, is a decent business; for, while the slave trade enslaves the body of the slave, it leaves his spirit uncorrupted and free. The liquor traffic enslaves, corrupts and damns the whole man.

"There are but two processes by which this traffic can be abolished. One is the slow process of evolution; the other is the sometimes almost equally, though not necessarily, slow process of legislation. When the race reaches a point high enough up in its constantly progressing evolution for no man to have the effrontry to violate the principles of common decency by engaging in the traffic, it will cease. But that time will be near the millennium, and that is too long to wait. The only hope, therefore, of this and possibly a few succeeding generations, is in legislation. And proper legislation on the subject will be had in every state so soon as the legislature of that state has reached a point high enough up in its evolution for its members to know their duty and have the courage and the conscience to do it. It is gratifying to know that in our present Georgia legislature many of the members have already reached this point, and are contending nobly for proper legislation on this subject. May God increase their number. May the voters of this great state increase their number. No candidate for legislative honors, who connives at this great evil, ought to receive the indorsement of the people at the ballot box.

"It is not my purpose this morning to advocate the passage of any particular bill now pending, or that may hereafter be introduced, in the legislature. I leave that to the wise and conscientious judgment of such wise and conscientious men as may belong to that body.

"Nor will the time allotted to this discourse allow me to do more than emphasize two or three propositions.

"The first is this: The legal prohibition of the liquor traffic is not an infringement of the individual rights of any citizen of this or any other state.

"There are many who claim that every man has a natural right to manufacture and buy and sell and drink intoxicating liquors; that the state has no right to deprive him of this freedom by the passage of a prohibitory law. And I apprehend that this error is one of the chief obstacles to proper legislation on this subject.

"That every man possesses individual rights; that there is around every man a circle 'which no government ought to overstep,' no sane man will deny. But the right to manufacture and sell ardent spirits as a beverage does not lie within that circle. If any man ever possessed the natural right to do as he pleased, it was in a state of isolation from all other individuals; and that right was merged in his civil rights the moment he passed out of such a state of isolation into his social state, where he became related to other individuals, and when his conduct affected other individuals and was liable to trespass upon their rights. According to John Stuart Mill, Von Humboldt and other high authorities on political economy, every citizen has the right to do anything that concerns himself alone, and does not affect the interests of others; but the moment his action injures others, his rights cease, and government is under obligation to interpose. Or, as justice Cooley puts it, 'Every individual has the right to do everything not harmful to the public or to other individuals.' Beyond this the individual has no rights, either civil, social, natural or divine. This principle underlies all government. Its inforcement is the very object for which government exists. It has inspired every criminal code of every state in the world. Murder, arson, burglary, libel, perjury, treason are prohibited and punished by law, because they are prohibited and punished by law, because they are harmful to the public or to other individuals.

"And on this principle government not only prohibits acts which in themselves are always harmful to others, but also acts which in themselves are innocent, whenever, by virtue of peculiar circumstances, they become harmful to the public or to other individuals. The carrying of concealed weapons, the building of a hog pen, the erection of a magazine for the storage of gunpowder, the act of walking about with smallpox are all acts innocent in themselves; and a man may do them so long as he lives in an isolated state, and does not come in contact with other individuals. But the moment he enters the social state, and these acts begin to endanger the health and the lives and the property of others, government interposes with its inhibition and a penalty for its violation. You may build a hog pen on a farm, but not in the heart of a crowded city. Neither can your magazine of gunpowder be allowed here. Here also you are placed under rigid quarantine, if you have been so unfortunate as to contract the disease of smallpox. The reason is that others have rights that must be respected, and it is the function of government to see that they are respected.

"Now, if the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors injure no one but the manufacturer and seller, government may have no right to prevent them from doing these things; but if, on the other hand, this traffic is harmful to others; if it 'diminishes both the freedom and the goods of others, by creating a criminal class to prey upon both, and a pauper class to be supported at the public expense,' then, according to the principle I have been discussing, government not only has the right but is under solemn obligation to prohibit this traffic. Under such circumstances, 'the private right of sale,' if there ever was such a right, 'has become subordinate to the public right of protection.'

"Now, in conclusion, let me barely touch upon one or two other points. First, the matter of revenue. The cry is frequently heard, 'Where will the money come from to run the government if we abolish the liquor traffic?' Atlanta and other great cities have been known to quake over this question. 'What will we do to defray the municipal expenses if we lose the license tax on barrooms?' A problem similar to this was once propounded to England's greatest prime minister. His reply was: 'Give me a sober people, not wasting their earnings, and I will know where the revenue is to come from.'

"At the close of the year 1887, when Atlanta had prohibition, the city treasurer turned over to the new council for 1888 a surplus of $100,000 in cash. It was never so before. I am not aware that it has ever been so since.

"'Sixty million dollars are annually expended in this country for the apprehension and punishment of criminals, made so by the liquor traffic; and 40,000 criminals are supported in the prison houses of the country at the public expense. Add to this all other expenses of government caused by the liquor traffic, such as the large amounts necessary to provide for the insane and the pauper classes that have been made such by intemperance, and you will discover that the amount annually expended by government in consequence of this traffic is enormous. Take the traffic away, and you remove the cause of this expense. The revenues from a sober people will then be amply sufficient for purposes of government.

"It has been said that prohibition does not prohibit, and that, therefore, prohibitory laws should not be enacted; and it is claimed by the advocates of this theory that it is better to regulate the traffic by the license system than to pass laws that could not be enforced. I answer this by saying:

"That prohibition is as successful in prohibiting as the license system is in regulating. This city had prohibition for a brief period, and then returned to the license system. I have it on reliable authority that the cases in the criminal courts of the city during the prohibition period were to the cases in the same courts under the subsequent system as one to fifty-one.

"No true man will hesitate over questions of policy when the voice of conscience is clear and the path of duty is plain. What if prohibition should not completely prohibit; what if the revenues of government should be insufficient; what if my vote should prove prejudicial to my re-election or to my business; so long as the blood of murdered thousands cries to me from the earth; so long as the eyes of the insane stare at me through iron bars; so long as widowhood in its destitution and its sorrow, and orphanage in its tenderness and its helplessness plead with me for deliverance; so long as homes are blasted and lives are wrecked by this diabolical traffic—just so long will I, and just so long will every true man heed the voice of conscience and the voice of God, which urge us to banish this great evil from the whole face of the earth."

MANY RACES ARE ANNOUNCED.

Elaborate Programme Has Been Prepared for Wednesday's Races.

An elaborate programme has been prepared for Wednesday's races at Piedmont park and some of the best horses in the south will be entered for the purses that have been offered.

Yesterday the carpenters were busy all day constructing stalls in the forestry building and a number of the speeders are expected to reach the city this morning.

Among the most prominent horses entered to participate in the coming races at Piedmont park are Mr. Chuck Anderson's gray mare, Muzette, and Mr. George Stiles's black stallion, Archie, and black gelding, Black Pilot. Mr. R. W. Phelps, of Opelika, Ala., wrote Manager Dowling last week entering his great horse, Panstone, 2:19½.

The running events will no doubt be the attraction for local horsemen and true lovers of the turf. The brewery race, for $50, has four entries and all will start, barring accidents. The imported stallion, Lord Henry, owned by R. L. Pittman, has been entered in this race, as also in the three-quarter mile dash. This horse has a national reputation, having met and defeated many of the great stake horses both north and east.

Women who are weak and nervous, who have no appetite and cannot sleep, find strength and vigor in Hood's Sarsaparilla.

IN GEORGIA'S HILLS

Mr. Christian Wahl Talks of the Gold in North Georgia.

HAS BEEN TO DAHLONEGA

Talks Interestingly of the Condition He Found There.

DISCUSSES VARIOUS METHODS OF MINING

Believes That the Gold Industry in Georgia Has a Great Future. A Talk With Him.

The visit of Mr. Christian Wahl, of Milwaukee, to the Dahlonega gold field, may result in the rapid development of the gold mining interests in the state. He has abundant capital with which to prosecute the work.

"It is a question with me whether I shall undertake the work of showing what can be done in the way of deep mining in the Dahlonega section," he said. "I am getting up in years and the development of deep mining should have the personal supervision of the person who is engaged in it. I believe that there would be a large profit in deep mining in Georgia. Thus far, all the mining in the Dahlonega belt has been on the surface or placer work. Nothing has been done below water level, because at thirty, fifty or sixty feet the ores usually become refractory and have to be treated to get the gold out.

"When you reach the point of treating the ores you come to the forks of a road. You must decide on the method which you will employ. Chlorination is no longer an experiment. Its success has been demonstrated by Mr. A. Theis, of South Carolina, and I am told that Mr. A. French is using it successfully and profitably at the Creighton mine in Cherokee county.

"There is another process, however, which is said to be cheaper. Yes, I know that it has been tried in Georgia with indifferent success, but I would not like to put the blame on the process. It may have been the fault of those who were experimenting with it. In south Africa and New Zealand the cyanide process was proved to be a success a good while ago. American miners had many failures. They experimented with it on ores for which it was not adapted, being lured by the seeming possibilities offered. Cheap makeshifts will not repay the trouble and expense. An expert says that a cyanide plant properly constructed to handle 100 tons of rough ore every twenty-four hours cannot be built anywhere in the Rocky mountains for less than $75,000, while one to handle two tons per hour would cost, say $45,000. It would not cost quite so much to build and operate a plant in Georgia on account of the more favorable conditions here.

"We have in north Georgia gold ore which runs as high as the average western ore. The west has ore of high grade, which is very attractive to the speculator, but the Georgia ore is more certain to hold out. The solvency of coarse gold in the cyanide solution is slow. The ores especially adapted to cyanide lixiviation seem to be those of chemically neutral, or slightly basic character, in which the gold occurs in a very fine state of division. Included in these ores are the auriferious calcites of mercur, the silicious ores of Cripple Creek and many pyrites in which oxidation has not begun. The ores unadapted to the cyanide process, I understand, are especially those containing coarse gold, those containing copper, which consumes the expensive chemical, potassium cyanide, and for the same reason those containing ferrows sulphide or other acid soluble salts. With respect to telluride ores, the experts have not yet satisfactorily decided. Experiment has sometime shown a high extraction from these ores when treated raw, and sometimes a surprisingly low extraction. The difference is possibly to be accounted for in the presence of different telluride minerals. The experience of the chlorinators at Cripple Creek, where telluride ores abound, has proved that the roasting can be done without significant loss of value. Other conditions, however, enter in the consideration of the process with respect to subsequent leaching with cyanide. It may be recognized that the ore must be dead roasted. A problem is the condition of the gold after the roasting. In driving off the tellurium the gold is likely to be left in small globules, which in practical mining are not soluble in potassium cyanide. This has been demonstrated in $40 ore.

"As to the cost of the two processes, cyanide and chlorination, where ores are equally adapted to the two processes, there is a question. It would cost a great deal of money to demonstrate which were the latter method for treating Georgia ores. In Cripple Creek the cyanide process has had the advantage, the plants being larger and far better arranged than the best chlorination works."

Mr. Wahl is making a study of this problem. He is wealthy and has all the money which he wants for himself, but it is said that he has a little granddaughter to whom he is devoted and that she may become a great heiress. He may conclude to put in a large plant on his 7,000-acre tract and take out enough gold every year for a king's ransom or a ducal coronet.

JOHN E. HENSHAW COMING.

He Will Be Seen in "The Nabobs" Tuesday at the Grand.

There is no comedian more favorably known than John E. Henshaw, who appears here at the head of his famous comedy organization, the Henshaw-Tenbroeck company. Mr. Henshaw is no stranger to this section, having appeared a number of times in "The Two Old Cronies," and his present musical comedy, "The Nabobs." The company comprises such well-known comedians and comediennes as Frank David, William Blaisdell, Edward Webb, J. R. Homer, Louis Mason, Clara Lavine, Miss Calotta, Miss Sophia Witt, Clara Van Vetchen and May Ten Broeck. The musical menu of "The Nabobs" comprises over twenty-five numbers, and includes many old favorites as well as all the latest New York successes, and a great treat is in store for those who attend the performance of Mr. Henshaw and his clever comedy company at the Grand opera house Tuesday and Wednesday with matinee Wednesday afternoon.

BUCKLER OPENS TONIGHT.

Begins His Engagement at the Columbia This Evening.

Mr. George Buckler, who, with his clever stock company from the Grand opera house at Washington, D. C., opens a week's engagement at the Columbia theater tonight, is by no means a stranger to an Atlanta audience. Three years ago he was here with Mr. Robert Downing and scored a distinct success by his performance of Lucullus, the Italian slave, to Mr. Downing's Damon, in his presentation of Damon and Pythias, and his masterly portrayal of King Louis XIII of France, to the Richelieu of Mr. Thomas Keene, two years ago, while he was stage manager for the latter gentleman, is well remembered by our theatergoers. Mr. Buckler's many friends here will doubtless be glad to know that he is now at the head of a company of his own, and a great deal of interest in centered in his performance of Monte Cristo tomorrow and the Rev. George Brand in the play tonight.

Hoyt's "A Midnight Bell."

Hoyt's "A Midnight Bell" comes to the Lyceum this week for three performances, Wednesday and Thursday nights, with a matinee Thursday.

"A Midnight Bell" is the greatest comedy success of Hoyt's and will be presented by a strong company of artists. Digby Bell and Laura Joyce Bell are in the caste and every member of the company is an artist. The company brings new scenery and new costumes and the stage effects are said to be elaborate and strikingly beautiful.

The Bostonians This Week.

That most famous light opera company, "The Bostonians," is the attraction at the Grand opera house Friday and Saturday evenings. This organization is conceded by all music lovers to be at the head and front of light opera affairs in this country.

Other light opera companies have tried to occupy the field, but none have ever been able to compete with this splendid organization. Out of the list of principals comprising "The Bostonians" is sufficient material to form a half dozen organizations of merit. In fine, Barnabee, MacDonald, Cowles, Jessie Bartlett Davis, Hilda Clarke, Alice Nielson, William E. Philp and others have received many offers to star alone, but their interests being devoted to artistic effect only, has forestalled any offers in this direction, and given "The Bostonians" that splendid corp d'esprit which has made its presentation of opera comique pre-eminent.

The White Crook Tonight.

The manager of the Imperial has secured the famous "White Crook mammoth extravaganza company" for tonight and tomorrow night. The organization comes highly indorsed by press and public wherever they have appeared.

It is beautifully staged, the scenery being especially fine and the costumes, from an artistic standpoint, most charming.

The production is an extravaganza with a plot just sufficient to form a nucleus around which its principal features center. It gives scope for individuality, and with the bright cast which Mr. Rush has brought together, the result is an entertainment which is pleasing to the eye and ear.

Its music is of the most catchy character and abounds in solos, duets, trios, quartets and chorus singing, which cannot but please an audience.

The chorus and ballet is composed of young and pretty girls; the comedians are clean, clever and funny; the specialties introduced are novel and the entertainment abounds in features which are most entertaining and well worth seeing. The engagement is only for one night, and should draw a crowded house.

MRS. BULLOCK TO LECTURE.—Mrs. Helen L. Bullock, of Elmira, N. Y., will lecture under the auspices of the local Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Atlanta at Trinity church December 21st or 22d. Mrs. Bullock is a pleasing and forcible speaker and her heart is in the temperance work. She is not a stranger in Atlanta and will be remembered as one who helped to make the national Woman's Christian Temperance Union convention of 1890 a grand success.

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Important Change of Schedule.

Central of Georgia railway announces important changes of schedule effective December 13th, as follows: Train No. 12 for Macon and Albany will leave Atlanta 4:05 p. m., instead of 4.10 p. m., as heretofore, arrive at Macon 7:20 p. m. Train No. 1 from Savannah and Macon will arrive 7:30 p. m. instead of 8:05 p. m., as heretofore. No change in other trains. Ticket office 16 Wall street, Kimball house. dec13—5t

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WALTON'S SHREWD GAME TO CATCH HER

Recognized the Woman by the Dress She Wore—Stolen Goods Being Recovered in Large Lots.

Hattie Lay, the old negro woman now locked in the station house, charged with larceny, is in some respects the most remarkable character with whom the authorities have ever had to deal.

Notwithstanding this old negress is sixty-four years old and infirm, she can hardly walk. She has probably stolen more goods than any woman previously locked in the station house.

Already great piles of the dresses which she has stolen from ladies all over the city have been recovered, and await identification at police headquarters. Saturday was reception day with the detectives, for all day long there was a large attendance of ladies in the reception room identifying the dresses they had given to this old woman to sell long ago, and had never received the returns.

The game Hattie worked was a shrewd one. She advertised herself as a dealer in second-hand dresses. It visiting the residences throughout the city she contracted with the ladies to take their clothes and sell them on commission, taking 10 per cent as her fee.

The white people generally took her into their confidence, and now most of them are sorry. The woman would generally make the proper returns for the first sale, but on the second, she almost invariably took the whole amount for her commission, and the people she duped never saw her again.

How She Was Caught.

For the last eight months innumerable reports have been received at the station house of the operations of this old woman. The authorities knew from the descriptions the same party must have been doing all the work, but just how to catch her was the trouble. It remained, however, for Detective Ed Walton's fertile brain to solve the problem.

He had been working for weeks to catch Hattie and had exhausted almost every method known to the profession. Last Wednesday afternoon, however, he happened to be walking on Peachtree and passed an old negro woman dressed within an inch of her life in a becoming costume of green and yellow.

Walton being a great admirer of stylish feminine attire was readily attracted by the garment, and eyed it conspicuously as it disappeared with its burden by the Aragon hotel. Then it was flashed into Walton's head that that dress answered the description of one stolen several days before which had been reported. So with significant wink of his eye he determined to investigate and followed the dusky belle.

After several blocks had been traversed Walton approached the old woman, and timidly asked her if she did not deal in old dresses. Hattie suspected something at first, but Walton's innocent expression gave her confidence and she answered in the affirmative.

Then Walton told her his wife had a large supply of old clothes on hand she wished to sell, and that if Hattie would call the next afternoon a trade might possibly be effected. Hattie promised she would be there on time and waddled off, with a characteristic chuckle over more game.

She Came on Time.

The next day, true to her appointment, the old woman appeared at Walton's home.

"Yes, I am very glad to see you," replied Walton. "I have often heard of you before. In fact so often that I have many times wished the pleasure of meeting you. But before we look at my wife's dresses, I have planned for your entertainment a carriage ride, so just come along to the rear of the house and we will go together."

Old Hattie came near fainting when she saw a patrol wagon waiting for her, and it was not long before she was peeping from behind the bars at the station house. She has since confessed to her little game with remarkable honesty, and divulges the location of goods she has stolen. She claims, however, she never intended to steal the dresses, but was trying to sell them on commission. She offers to refund all the money she owes if time is allowed her, but it is probable the time she will get will be in the chaingang.

MANY NEW BOOKS IN.

Miss Anne Wallace Announces Numerous Acquisitions.

The following new books have been received at the library and are now ready for circulation:

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135	Washington	5 10 am	130	Columbus, Ga	5 25 am
† 8	Chattanooga	6 55 am	135	Greenville	6 00 am
128	Tallapoosa	8 75 am	† 8	Brunswick	7 30 am
17	Cornelia	9 30 am	132	Richmond	7 30 am
127	Columbus	10 30 am	† 7	Chattanooga	7 50am
118	Fort Valley	10 35 am	133	Washington	12 00 n'n
† 9	Macon	11 30 am	† 9	Chattanooga	3 00 pm
126	Birmingham	11 40 am	110	Macon	4 05 pm
110	Chattanooga	1 15 pm	120	Fort Valley	4 05 pm
137	Washington	3 55 pm	137	Birmingham	4 15 pm
† 7	Brunswick	7 45 pm	128	Columbus	4 25 pm
111	Richmond	9 30 pm	18	Cornelia	4 35 pm
129	Columbus, Ga	9 45 pm	125	Tallapoosa	5 15 p m
136	Gr'nv'le, Miss	10 45 pm	114	Jacksonville	11 10 pm
114	Casshnooga	10 55 pm	136	Washington	11 50pm

Central of Georgia Railway.

No.	ARRIVE FROM		No.	DEPART TO	
101	Hapeville	6 45 am	100	Hapeville	7 00 am
† 2	Savannah	7 45 am	102	Hapeville	7 00 am
103	Hapeville	8 05 am	† 2	Savannah	7 30 am
†1	Macon	10 45 am	104	Hapeville	8 35 am
105	Hapeville	12 15 pm	106	Hapeville	12 15 pm
109	Hapeville	2 00 pm	110	Hapeville	2 20 pm
111	Hapeville	4 00 pm	† 12	Macon	4 05 pm
112	Hapeville	6 10 pm	113	Hapeville	4 25 pm
115	Hapeville	7 20 pm	114	Hapeville	6 10 pm
† 1	Savannah	7 30 pm	† 4	Savannah	7 50 pm
1117	Hapeville	10 35 am	1118	Hapeville	9 00 am
1119	Hapeville	2 20 pm	1115	Hapeville	12 50 pm

Western and Atlantic Railroad.

No.	ARRIVE FROM		No.	DEPART TO	
† 3	Nashville	7 00 am	† 2	Nashville	8 45 am
78	Rome	8 40 am	5	Chattanooga	3 00 pm
† 5	Chattanooga	11 50 am	72	Rome	5 15 pm
† 1	Nashville	7 30 pm	† 4	Nashville	8 20 pm

Atlanta and West Point Railroad.

No.	ARRIVE FROM		No.	DEPART TO	
12	Newnan	7 35 am	35	Montgomery	5 28 am
14	College Park	10 00 am	11	College Park	8 10 am
138	Montgomery	11 40 am	13	Palmetto	11 45 am
16	Palmetto	2 15 pm	133	Montgomery	1 00 pm
18	College Park	3 50 pm	15	College Park	2 30 pm
124	Selma	7 00 pm	127	Selma	4 20 pm
20	Palmetto	8 20 pm	17	Palmetto	5 35 pm
126	Selma	11 30 pm	19	Newnan	11 25 pm
	Fol. train Sunday only.			Fol. train Sunday only:	
128	Newnan	10 20 am	27	Newnan	1 05 pm

Georgia Railroad.

No.	ARRIVE FROM		No.	DEPART TO	
† 3	Augusta	5 00 am	† 2	Augusta	7 15 am
5	Covington	7 45 am	128	Augusta	2 55 pm
127	Augusta	2 15 pm	10	Covington	6 15 pm
† 1	Augusta	6 10 pm	† 4	Augusta	11 35 pm

Seaboard Air-Line.

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403	Washington	6 45 pm	† 38	Norfolk	5 10 pm

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The conductors' fair will open tonight with every prospect of a successful run. The fair will be an interesting one, and it has been designed on plans different from other entertainments of the kind of recent months. The conductors have made every preparation for the care and entertainment of the visitors to the fair, and the opening night will mark the beginning of an event which already promises to become very popular.

The committee in charge of the fair has devoted several days to the work of arranging the exhibits and special features, and everything has now been placed in readiness for the opening. A splendid orchestra—that of Franklin & Spahr—has been engaged to render music during the fair, and concerts will be given every night until 9:30 o'clock, when the dancing will commence.

The fair will be held in the new Steele building, on South Pryor street, between Alabama street and East Hunter street, and two floors of the building will be used. The dancing and refreshment room is on the second floor and the exhibits on the ground floor. A first-class restaurant will be operated on the second floor, and everything to be had at any first-class restaurant in the city will be served, and at reasonable prices, too.

The Committees in Charge.

The committee from the ladies' auxiliary of the Order of Railway Conductors and the committee from the local division of that order are composed of some of the most popular members of both, and they have joined hands in the determination to make the fair a big success. The ladies' committee is composed of the following: Mrs. C. V. Rainey, chairman; Mrs. W. S. Gaar, Mrs. W. T. Mooney, Mrs. J. W. Humphries, Mrs. Jason Cannon, Mrs. J. W. Rose and Mrs. D. S. Walraven, all of whom are wives of well-known conductors.

The conductors' committee is composed of Messrs. E. Buckmaster, chairman; J. W. Humphries, T. J. Howell, J. H. Latimer and R. W. Ellis. This committee has been at work on the plans and preliminary arrangements for the fair, and Chairman Buckmaster said last night that everything had been put in first-class shape and readiness for the opening.

Mr. Buckmaster promises the visitors to the fair that they will see something new and unique in the line of fairs, and that every effort has been made to provide entertainment and amusement for those who will patronize the affair. He says the scene in the hall will be strikingly beautiful, especial effort having been expended in making the decorations pretty. The decorations were arranged by O'Conner & Deane.

Turkey Shooting a Feature.

One of the features of the fair will be a nightly turkey shooting contest, to be held in the basement of the building. Turkey shoots are always interesting, and this one will be especially so.

It is probable that the original phantascope will be put on exhibition in the hall, and other unique means of instruction and entertainment will be arranged. The ladies committee dressed one of the handsomest lot of dolls seen in the city in a long time, and the raffle for the dolls will soon become one of the most interesting events of the fair.

The committee will conduct quite a number of raffles, the principal one of which will be a raffle of a pair of beautiful Shetland ponies, the delight of the children. The little horses are two of the prettiest ever seen in the city, and they will be admired by the children, whose papas and mammas will be begged to take chances on the ponies. The conductors will be on hand in large numbers to receive and entertain their guests, and a successful fair can be safely predicted for the ticket takers. The fair will run until Christmas eve. A big Christmas tree will be stripped on that night.

Trainmen's Ball on the 23d.

On Wednesday evening, December 23d, the Atlanta division of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen will give its second annual ball. Arrangements are being made for the event, and it will be an enjoyable affair. Invitations are being sent out by the trainmen and the committee in charge of the ball—Messrs. E. W. Tripp, F. G. Cook and S. N. Clark—will make it a pleasant one for those who attend. One of the best orchestras in the city has been secured, and the dancing programme is a splendid one.

The trainmen have just elected new officers of their division and a delegate to the next annual convention of the order, which is to be held in Toronto, Canada, in May next. Mr. Frank Cook, one of the most active members of the order, will go as delegate, and he proposes to bring the next convention of the national order to Atlanta.

The offiers elected are E. W. Tripp, master; A. L. Barry, vice master; E. C. Powers, past master; J. R. Dukes, financier; F. G. Cook, secretary and delegate, and J. R. Dukes, alternate. All of the officers are well known and active members of their organization, and under their administration the affairs of the trainmen's division will be conducted successfully.

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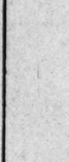
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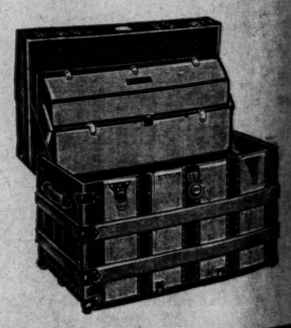
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